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Some states honoring indigenous people instead of Columbus

By RUSSELL CONTRERAS Associated Press

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP)

— A handful of states are celebrating their first Indigenous Peoples Day on Monday as part of a trend to move away from a day honoring Christopher Columbus.

New Mexico, Vermont and Maine are among the latest to pass measures doing away with Columbus Day celebrations in deference to Native Americans. The federal Columbus Day holiday remains in place.

In all, around 10 states observe some version of Indigenous Peoples Day in October, along with more than 100 U.S. cities. Washington, D.C., is celebrating Indigenous Peoples Day this year under a temporary measure.

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Crystal Zamora, 27, of Albuquerque, N.M., performs with the Ehecatl Aztec Dancers on Monday, Oct. 14, 2019, at the Indian Pueblo Cultural Center in Albuquerque, N.M. as part of New Mexico's first Indigenous Peoples Day.

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Trump orders Turkey sanctions; U.S. scrambles for Syria exit

By ROBERT BURNS **AP National Security Writer WASHINGTON (AP)** — Targeting Turkey's economy, President Donald Trump announced sanctions Monday aimed at restraining the Turks' assault against Kurdish fighters and civilians in Syria — an assault Turkey began after Trump announced he was moving U.S. troops out of the way. The United States also called on Turkey to stop the invasion and declare a ceasefire, and Trump is sending Vice President Mike Pence and national security adviser Robert O'Brien to Ankara as soon as possible in an attempt to begin negotiations. Pence said Trump spoke directly to Turkish leader Recep Tayyip Erdogan, who promised not attack the border town of Kobani, which in 2015 witnessed the Islamic State group's first defeat

Kurdish fighters.
"President Trump communicated to him very clearly that the United States of American wants Turkey to stop the invasion, implement an immediate cease-

in a battle by U.S.-backed



Vice President Mike Pence, with Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin, left, and national security adviser Robert O'Brien, speaks to reporters outside the West Wing of the White House, Monday, Oct. 14, 2019, in Washington.

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fire and to begin to negotiate with Kurdish forces in Syria to bring an end to the violence," Pence said.

The Americans were scrambling for Syria's exits, a move criticized at home and abroad as opening the door to a resurgence of the Islamic State group, whose violent takeover of

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Syrian and Iraqi lands five years ago was the reason American forces came in the first place.

Trump said the approximately 1,000 U.S. troops who had been partnering with local Kurdish fighters to battle IS in northern Syria are leaving the country. They will remain in the Middle East, he said, to "monitor the situation" and to prevent a revival of IS — a goal that even Trump's allies say has become much harder as a result of the U.S. pullout.

The Turks began attacks in Syria last week against the Syrian Kurdish fighters, whom the Turks see as terrorists. On Monday, Syrian government troops moved north toward the border region, setting up a potential clash with Turkish-led forces.

Trump said Turkey's inva-

sion is "precipitating a humanitarian crisis and setting conditions for possible war crimes," a reference to reports of Turkish-backed fighters executing Kurdish fighters on the battlefield. The Kurdish forces previously allied with the U.S. said they had reached a deal with President Bashar Assad's government to help them fend off Turkey's invasion, a move that brings Russian forces deeper into the conflict.

In his sanctions announcement, Trump said he was halting negotiations on a \$100 billion trade deal with Turkey and raising steel tariffs back up to 50%. Trump also imposed sanctions on three senior Turkish officials and Turkey's defense and energy ministries.

"I am fully prepared to swiftly destroy Turkey's economy if Turkish leaders continue down this dangerous and destructive path," Trump said.

Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin said the sanctions will hurt an already weak Turkish economy. Pence said the U.S. will continue to ramp up the sanctions "unless Turkey is willing to embrace a ceasefire, come to the negotiating table and end the violence."

American troops consolidated their positions in northern Syria on Monday and prepared to evacuate equipment in advance of a full withdrawal, a U.S. defense official said.

The official, who was not authorized to be quoted by name, said U.S. officials were weighing options for a potential future counter-IS campaign, including the possibility of waging it with a combination of air power and special operations forces based outside Syria, perhaps in Iraq.

The hurried preparations for

a U.S. exit were triggered by Trump's decision Saturday to expand a limited troop pullout into a complete withdrawal.

Defense Secretary Mark Es-

per said Monday he would travel to NATO headquarters in Brussels next week to urge European allies to impose "diplomatic and economic measures" against Turkey — a fellow NATO ally — for what Esper called Ankara's "egregious" actions. Esper said Turkey's incursion had created unacceptable risk to U.S. forces in northern Syria and "we also are at risk of being engulfed in a broader conflict."

The only exception to the U.S. withdrawal from Syria is a group of perhaps 200 troops who will remain at a base called Tanfin southern Syria near the Jordanian border along the strategically important Baghdad-to-Damascus highway. Those troops work with Syrian opposition forces unrelated to the Kurdish-led fighters in northern Syria.

Esper said the U.S. with-

drawal would be done

carefully to protect the

troops and to ensure no U.S. equipment was left behind. He declined to say how long that might take. In a series of tweets Monday, Trump defended his gamble that pulling U.S. forces out of Syria would not weaken U.S. security and credibility. He took sarcastic swipes at critics who say his Syria withdrawal amounts to a betrayal of the Kurds and plays into the hands of Russia.

"Anyone who wants to assist Syria in protecting the Kurds is good with me, whether it is Russia, China, or Napoleon Bonaparte," he wrote. "I hope they all do great, we are 7,000 miles away!" Trump has dug in on his decision to pull out the troops, believing it fulfills a key campaign promise and will be a winning issue in the 2020 election, according to White House officials.

This has effectively ended a five-year effort to partner with Syrian Kurdish and Arab fighters to ensure a lasting defeat of the Islamic State group.



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Since 1992, Native Ameriadvocates have pressed states to change Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples Day over concerns that Columbus helped launched centuries of genocide against indigenous populations in the Americas.

New Mexico is marking its statewide Indigenous Peoples Day with an invocation by several tribal leaders in unison in their native languages. There also will be a parade and traditional dances at the Indian Pueblo Cultural Center in Albuquerque.

"I think it's great and it's about time," said All Pueblo Council of Governors

Chairman E. Paul Torres, a member of Isleta Pueblo in New Mexico.

State offices in Maine also are scheduled to close for the holiday. Maine, home to four federally recognized tribes, ditched Columbus Day in favor of Indigenous Peoples Day with an April bill signing by Democratic Gov. Janet Mills.

She said at the time she hoped the change would represent a move "toward healing, toward inclusiveness." Tribes in Maine have had a rocky relationship with the state government over the years, and the Penobscot and Passamaquoddy tribes withdrew representatives to the Legislature in 2015, when Republican Gov. Paul LePage was in office. The change to Indigenous Peoples Day prompted some backlash in conservative circles and among Italian Americans. University of Maine College Republicans, for example, have described the move as part of a "radical leftwing agenda."

But Native Americans in some states have welcomed the change and said it was time to pay homage to Native Americans instead of Columbus. Democratic New Mexico state Rep. Derrick Lente of Sandia Pueblo, the sponsor of the New Mexico legislation that changed the holiday to Indigenous Peoples Day, said the day allows



In this Feb. 1, 2019 file photo, Calela Lamy of Zuni Pueblo performs the pottery dance at the New Mexico Statehouse in Santa Fe, N.M. before the state adopted it's first Indigenous Peoples'

Associated Press

States' complicated history. Adopting the holiday, he

reflection on the United said, provides some restorative justice for indigenous communities.

Parents of crash victim urge diplomat's wife to return to UK

NEW YORK (AP) — The parents of a motorcyclist killed in a traffic crash that involved an American diplomat's wife took their case directly to U.S. audiences Monday, holding a New York news conference at which they urged the woman to return to Britain.

The parents of Harry Dunn have reached out to American politicians and plan to be in Washington on Wednesday and Thursday in their quest to get the woman back to the U.K. "to present herself to police," family spokesman Radd Seiger said.

If that occurs, the family indicated, it would be willing to speak with her there.

Charlotte Charles, Dunn's mother, tearfully urged the diplomat's wife, Anne thing" and to "face us as a broken family," along with the U.K. legal system.

"She needs to set an example to her own children that you can't run away," Charles said.

The 19-year-old Dunn was killed in August when his

a car allegedly driven by Sacoolas outside a British air force base in southern England used by the U.S. military.

Sacoolas left Britain shortly after, although police in the area where the collision happened released a statement saying she had previously told them she had no plans to depart. Her current whereabouts are uncertain.

A statement previously released on Sacoolas' behalf said she spoke with authorities at the scene of the accident and again the following day and would continue to cooperate with them. It said: "Anne is devastated by this tragic accident. No loss compares to the death of a child and Anne ex-Sacoolas, to "do the right tends her deepest sympathy to Harry Dunn's family.' The U.S. Embassy in London said any question of waiving the immunity given to diplomats and their families would be carefully considered but that it was rare to have that happen.

British Prime Minister Boris

motorcycle collided with Johnson has urged Sacoo- that he doesn't think it's diplomatic immunity for this





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Ex-National Security Council official testifies to Congress

By MICHAEL BALSAMO and MARY CLARE JALONICK **Associated Press**

WASHINGTON (AP) — Fiona Hill, a former top National Security Council expert on Russia, testified to Congress behind closed doors Monday, the latest former Trump administration official to be subpoenaed as part of the House impeachment inquiry into President Donald Trump.

Hill wouldn't comment as she arrived on Capitol Hill, but the hearing stretched beyond 10 hours. Her attorney said she had received a congressional subpoena and would "comply and answer questions" from lawmakers. She resigned from the White House National Security Council over the summer.

She was the first White House official to appear as part of the House impeachment inquiry. Her appearance came despite a White House vow to halt any and all cooperation with what it termed the "illegitimate" impeachment probe. The White House did not immediately respond to questions about whether they had sought to limit Hill's testimony.

A former top aide to Secretary of State Mike Pompeo has also been asked to appear for an interview this week, according to several officials familiar with the planning.

Michael McKinley, a career foreign service officer and Pompeo's de facto chief of staff, resigned Friday, ending a 37-year career, as the impeachment probe turns its focus on the State Department in the Ukraine matter.

The sources were unauthorized to discuss the planning and granted anonymity. House Democrats asked

that McKinley appear for



Former White House advisor on Russia, Fiona Hill, center, leaves Capitol Hill in Washington, Monday, Oct. 14, 2019, after testifying before congressional lawmakers as part of the House impeachment inquiry into President Donald Trump.

Associated Press

a closed-door interview Wednesday, the day after George Kent, another State Department official, is scheduled. It is unclear if they will appear.

Republicans called on Rep. Adam Schiff, the chairman of the House intelligence committee, to release transcripts of the depositions to the public. The California Democrat said Sunday that having witnesses appear behind closed doors would prevent them from knowing what other witnesses

"We want to make sure that we meet the needs of the investigation and not give the president or his legal some cases fabricate testimony to suit their interests," Schiff said on CBS' "Face the Nation."

Rep. Jim Jordan, the top Republican on the House oversight committee, said he learned Monday morning that Schiff had subpoenaed Hill.

"She was going to come, she'd agreed to come, she was going to come voluntarily but he's going to subpoena her, I believe, so he could ask certain questions and again keep those secret except for the certain things he wants to leak," Jordan said. "The tragedy here and the crime here is that the American people don't get to see what's going on in these sessions."

The subpoena was issued because of attempts by the Trump administration to direct witnesses not to cooperate with the impeachment inquiry and to limit the testimony of witnesses, minions the opportunity to an official working on the tailor their testimony and in impeachment inquiry told The Associated Press. Hill complied with the subpoena and was answering questions from both Democrats and Republicans, the official said.

> The official spoke on condition of anonymity in order to discuss details of the

closed-door deposition.

Later this week, U.S. ambassador Gordon Sondland, Trump's hand-picked ambassador to the European Union, is expected to appear for a deposition against the wishes of the White House, after being subpoenaed. He's expected to tell Congress that his text message reassuring another envoy that there was no quid pro quo in their interactions with Ukraine was based solely on what Trump told him, according to a person familiar with his coming testimony.

Sondland's appearance, set for Thursday, comes after a cache of text messages from top envoys protheir work acting as intermediaries around the time Trump urged Ukraine's new president, Volodymr Zelenskiy, to start investigations into a company linked to the family of Democratic rival Joe Biden.

One witness who may not

be called before Congress is the still-anonymous government whistleblower who touched off the impeachment inquiry.

Top Democrats say testimony and evidence coming in from other witnesses, and even the Republican president himself, are backing up the whistleblower's account of what transpired during Trump's July 25 phone call with Zelenskiy. Lawmakers have grown deeply concerned about protecting the person from Trump's threats and may not wish to risk exposing the whistleblower's identity.

Schiff said Sunday that Democrats "don't need the whistleblower, who wasn't on the call, to tell us what took place on the call."

Schiff said it "may not be necessary" to reveal the whistleblower's identity as the House gathers evidence. "Our primary interest right now is making sure that that person is protected," he said.

But Trump strongly object-

"Adam Schiff now doesn't seem to want the Whistleblower to testify. NO!" the Republican president tweeted early Monday. "We must determine the Whistleblower's identity to determine WHY this was done to the USA."

The impeachment inquiry is testing the Constitution's system of checks and balances as the House presses forward with the probe and the White House dismisses it as "illegitimate" because vided a vivid account of there has been no formal vote of the House to open impeachment proceedings. In calling for a vote, the White House is trying to press House Democrats who may be politically reluctant to put their names formally behind impeachment.



Texas officer charged with murder, resigns after shooting

By JAKE BLEIBERG and JILL Police went to Jefferson's **BLEED**

Associated Press FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) —

A white Fort Worth police officer who shot and killed a black woman through a back window of her home while responding to a call about an open front door was charged with murder on Monday after resigning from the force.

Aaron Dean, 34, was jailed Monday evening on \$200,000 bond after the police chief said he acted without justification would have been fired if he hadn't quit.

Police bodycam video showed Dean approaching the door of the home where Atatiana Jefferson, 28, was caring for her 8-year-old nephew early Saturday. He then walked around the side of the house, pushed through a gate into the fenced-off backyard and fired through the glass a split-second after shouting at Jefferson to show her hands.

Dean was not heard identifying himself as police on the video, and Interim Police Chief Ed Kraus said there was no sign Dean or the other officer who responded even knocked on the front door.

"Nobody looked at this video and said that there's any doubt that this officer acted inappropriately," Kraus said.

Earlier in the day, Jefferson's family had demanded that Dean, a member of the force for 1½ years, be fired and arrested.

"Why this man is not in handcuffs is a source of continued agitation for this family and for this community," family attorney Lee Merritt said, hours before Dean was booked into jail.

home about 2:25 a.m. after a neighbor called a nonemergency line to report a door ajar. In a statement over the weekend, the department said officers saw someone near a window inside the home and that one of them drew his gun and fired after "perceiving a threat."

The video showed Dean shouting, "Put your hands up! Show me your hands!" and immediately firing.

Jefferson was staying up late, playing video games with her nephew, when she was killed, according to the family's attorney.

As for what, exactly, led Dean to open fire, the police chief said: "I cannot make sense of why she had to lose her life." The chief said Dean resigned without talking to internal affairs investigators.

The video included images of a gun inside a bedroom. Kraus said he did not know whether Jefferson was holding the weapon. But he said the mere fact she had a gun shouldn't be considered unusual in Texas.

"We're homeowners in Texas," the police chief said. "Most of us, if we thought we had somebody outside our house that shouldn't be and we had access to a firearm, we would be acting very similarly to how she was acting." Kraus said that, in hindsight, releasing the images of the weapon was "a bad thing to do." Mayor Betsy Price called the gun "irrelevant."

"Atatiana was in her own home, caring for her 8-yearold nephew. She was a victim," Price said.

Texas has had a "castle doctrine" law on the books since 2007 that gives people a stronger legal de-



Amber Carr, left, wipes a tear as her sister Ashley Carr, center, talks about their sister, Atatiana Jefferson, as their brother, Adarius Carr, right and attorney Lee Merritt, standing, listen during a news conference Monday, Oct. 14, 2019 in downtown Dallas.

Associated Press

fense to use deadly force in their homes. The law was backed at the time by the National Rifle Association and is similar to "stand your ground" measures across the U.S. that say a person has no duty to retreat from an intruder.

Fort Worth is about 30 miles (50 kilometers) west of Dallas, where another highprofile police shooting occurred last year.

In that case, white Dallas officer Amber Guyger shot and killed her black neighbor Botham Jean inside his own apartment after Guyger said she mistook his place for her own. Guyger, 31, was sentenced this month to 10 years in prison. A large crowd gathered outside Jefferson's home Sunday night for a vigil after demonstrations briefly stopped traffic on Interstate 35. A single bullet hole was visible in the window of the single-story, freshly painted purple home, and floral tributes and stuffed animals piled up in the street.

The police chief said Dean could face state charges and that he had submitted a case to the FBI to review for possible federal civil rights charges.

Dean has not yet hired an attorney but will have one provided with financial support from the state's largest police union, the Combined Law Enforcement Associations of Texas, according to Charley Wilkison, executive director.

Relations with the public have been strained after other recent Fort Worth police shootings. In June, the department released footage of officers killing a man who ignored repeated orders to drop his handgun. He was the fourth person Fort Worth police had fired upon in 10 days.

Of the nine officer-involved shootings so far this year in Fort Worth, five targeted African Americans and six resulted in death, according to department data.

This undated photo provided by the Tarrant County Jail shows Aaron Dean.

Associated Press

Nearly two-thirds of the department's 1,100 officers are white, just over 20% are Hispanic, and about 10% are black. The city of nearly 900,000 people is about 40% white, 35% Hispanic and 19% black.

Calling the shooting "a pivotal moment in our city," the mayor said she was ordering a top-to-bottom review of the police force and vowed to "rebuild a sense of trust within the city and with our police department."

Jefferson was a 2014 graduate of Xavier University in New Orleans and earned a bachelor's degree in biology. She was working in pharmaceutical ment sales and was considering going to medical school, according to the family's lawyer.

Bosnia seeks extradition of Missouri man in war crimes case

ST. LOUIS (AP) — A former military policeman in Bosnia who has been living in Missouri for about 17 years is facing extradition to his native country, where he is accused of raping a pregnant Serbian woman who was being held as a pris-

oner in 1992.

Adem Kostjerevac, 58, who lives in unincorporated southern St. Louis County, will appear in federal court Tuesday in St. Louis for a hearing on an extradition request from the Bosnian government, The St. Louis

Post-Dispatch reported. An extradition request filed by the government alleges that Kostjerevac, who served with the 1st Muslim Brigade of the army of Bosnia and Herzegovina, raped the woman in a small village after she was arrest-

ed Sept. 17, 1992, by Muslim at a different location, acforces who surrounded her cording to the request. The village. The arrest occurred multiple assaults caused during the Bosnian war that her to miscarry, and when raged from 1992 until 1995. The woman, who was a neighbor of Kosterjerevac's, said she was later raped several times by a guard

she was released in a prisoner exchange on Feb. 5, 1993, she weighed just 81 pounds, according to the request.



Census Bureau seeks state data, including citizenship info

By MIKE SCHNEIDER

The U.S. Census Bureau is asking states for drivers' license records that typically include citizenship data and has made a new request for information on recipients of government assistance, alarming some civil rights advocates.

The two approaches, documented by The Associated Press, come amid President Donald Trump's efforts to make citizenship a key aspect of federal information-gathering in the run-up to the 2020 Census, despite this year's U.S. Supreme Court ruling that a specific citizenship question can't be included in the 2020 Census questionnaire.

Civil rights advocates worry that the wider net being cast by the Trump administration for such information could chill Latino participation in the population count, which will determine how many congressional seats each state gets and guide the allocation of hundreds of billions of dollars of federal funding. The results of the 2020 Census also will be used to redraw state and local electoral maps.

Experts caution that inaccuracies in state motor vehicle records also make them a poor choice for tracking citizenship, if that is the bureau's goal.

After the Supreme Court ruling, President Donald Trump signed an executive order in July requiring the Commerce Department, which oversees the Census Bureau, to collect records on citizenship from federal agencies and increase efforts "to obtain State administrative records concerning citizenship."

The American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators told The AP that most, if not all, states recently received requests for information including citizenship status, race, birthdates and addresses. The association has advised members to consult their privacy officers, and "each state is making their own determination how to respond," spokeswoman Claire Jeffrey said in an



A woman enters a Florida Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles drivers license service center, Tuesday, Oct. 8, 2019, in Hialeah, Fla. **Associated Press**

In Illinois, Secretary of State Jesse White denied the request.

"We, as a general rule, are not comfortable with giving out our data, certainly not in such a huge amount. That was the overriding concern," said spokesman Dave Drucker.

Other states are weighing what to do. The Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles has received the request but hasn't responded, spokeswoman Beth Frady said.

Motor vehicle agency records are notoriously inaccurate and "bad at deter-Senteno, a lawyer for the Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund, which is challenging Trump's executive order.

"The Census Bureau usually plans for these types of big changes in their operations many, many years in ad-

vance, but they don't have enough time right now to actually plan and provide clear information to the public about how they are going to use these administrative records," Senteno said. "They're flying by the seat of their pants right now."

The bureau also is seeking more state records on individual recipients of public programs. A new request published last month in the Federal Register said the records would be used for the 2020 Census and other research, and they're needed to "improve efficiency and accuracy in our data mining when someone is collections, and to improve not a citizen," said Andrea measures of the population and economy.

> The records request doesn't explicitly ask for citizenship information, but some demographers who work with the bureau on state-level data suspect it's responsive to the president's executive order.

"The timing of it, and noticing in the executive order, it's well-stated that this is going to be a push directing the Census Bureau to work on gathering these state inputs; it would lead me to believe that the two are probably connected," said Susan Strate, senior manager of Population Estimates Program at the University of Massachusetts Donahue Institute.

States already share records on food assistance and other programs to help the bureau track traditionally undercounted populations and pinpoint vacant houses. The states' administrative records could cover a host of topics, including citizenship, said John Thompson, a former Census Bureau director in the Obama administration.

"Here's the confusing thing about it," Thompson said: "They've already been reaching out to states. They've got a number of ongoing programs where they reach out to states for various data."

States typically don't do a good job of tracking citizenship information, said Kenneth Prewitt, a former Census Bureau director in the Clinton administration. "People move, divorce, buy homes, pay state taxes, and these behaviors are not tied to any citizenship records," Prewitt said.

In a statement last Thursday, the Census Bureau said it started requesting state administrative records in 2016 to help with the 2020 Census and ongoing surveys. The records include birthdates, addresses, race, Hispanic origin and citizenship status. The bureau didn't answer why it was requesting drivers' license information or why it had made the new request last month for state administrative records when it already receives records from states.

The bureau said the records it receives are stripped of identifiable information and used for statistical purposes only.

"Responses to all Census Bureau surveys and administrative records obtained by the Census Bureau are safe, secure and protected by law," its statement said. When it comes to the citizenship question, there has been a tension between Trump appointees pushing the president's agenda and career Census Bureau workers who worried that adding a citizenship question would reduce participation and make for a less accurate 2020 headcount. Bureau officials have said they will decide by March 31 on a methodology for tracking citizenship. The 2020 Census count officially begins the next day, on April 1. Several civil rights organizations filed a new challenge in federal court in Maryland last month, claiming Trump's executive order is "motivated by a racially discriminatory scheme to reduce Latino political representation" and gives an advantage to white voters at the expense of Latino voters.



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This booking photo released by the Pelham Police Department shows Dale Holloway, arrested on several charges following a shooting at a wedding at New England Pentecostal Ministries on Saturday, Oct. 12, 2019, in Pelham, N.H.

Parishioners find other sanctuaries after church shooting

PELHAM, **N.H**. **(AP)** — Members of New England Pentecostal Ministries are finding comfort and fellowship at other churches while theirs remains closed following a shooting during a weekend wedding

Dale Holloway, 37, is accused of wounding a clergyman and a bride Saturday in Pelham, New Hamp-

Stanley Choate, 75, the presiding bishop, was shot in the chest. Claire McMullen, 60, was shot in the arm. Authorities said parishioners tackled the shooter and held him until police ar-

cause we never imagined it would happen in church, let alone in New Hampshire," said Magalie Felix, a member of the Pelham church.

Holloway is due in court Tuesday. He has been charged with attempted murder, assault and other charges.

It couldn't be determined whether he had a lawyer yet who could speak for

WMUR-TV reports that about 30 parishioners traveled to Lowell, Massachusetts, for services Sunday at CCF Ministries, while others attended services in Manchester, New Hampshire.

"I'm coming to get encouraged, and be an encouragement to others, that God has this all in control," Yolanda Spearman said in Manchester.

Authorities say the groom at Saturday's wedding, "Everyone is still in shock be- Mark Castiglione, is the father of a man recently charged with killing Holloway's stepfather.

> Brandon Castiglione, 24, is accused of killing Luis Garcia, 60, in Londonderry on Oct. 1.

"No revenge, no retaliation," he said.



Photographers take pictures of the statues unveiled as the crowd listens to speakers at the dedication of the Virginia Women's Monument inside Capitol Square in Richmond, Va., Monday, Oct.

Associated Press

Righting 'sins of omission': Monument honors Virginia women

By SARAH RANKIN

RICHMOND, Va. (AP) — Around a thousand people filled Virginia's Capitol Square for the dedication Monday of statues honoring some of the state's trailblazing women, part of a monument organizers say is unlike any other in the country.

The new women's monument, about a decade in the making, will eventually feature a dozen life-sized bronze statues dotting a granite plaza a short dispulled blue drapes off the seven figures being dedicated Monday, including Native American chieftain names were read aloud.

called it "a new beginning, a deeply significant moment in the history of the nation, as we begin to address centuries-old sins of omission." The artist said that as part of the art direction and research for the monument, he looked across America and found a "shameful" lack of statues dedicated to women.

"Women have been excised from the marble pedestal of history," said Schwartz, who continued: "This doesn't change the tance from the Capitol past, but it does begin to in Richmond. Girl Scouts open a room with a new view. And while not all Americans may like this, it individual and collective is happening nonetheless." The women, who also in-Cockacoeske and James- clude a frontierswoman, town colonist Anne Burras a dressmaker and confi-Laydon, as the women's dante to Mary Todd Lincoln, an entrepreneur, and Sculptor Ivan Schwartz educator and a suffragist, the project to fruition.

were chosen from more than four centuries of Virginia's history.

"They were from all walks of life, from different times and places," said Mary Margaret Whipple, a former state senator who served as vice chair of the Women's Monument Commission. "They were famous and obscure. Real women, even imperfect women, who have shaped the history of this Commonwealth."

Organizers say there's no other such monument on the grounds of a state capitol in the U.S. showcasing centuries' worth of both women's contributions.

Susan Clarke Schaar, clerk of the Virginia Senate and a member of the monument commission, described a marathon effort bringing



Protests erupt as Spain convicts leading Catalan separatists

By JOSEPH WILSON **CIARAN GILES** BARCELONA, Spain (AP) —

Riot police engaged in a running battle with angry protesters outside Barce-Iona's airport Monday after Spain's Supreme Court convicted 12 separatist leaders of illegally promoting the wealthy Catalonia region's independence and sentenced nine of them to prison.

Officers fired foam bullets and used batons against thousands of protesters who converged on the airport after the verdict was announced in Madrid. Protesters fought back by throwing objects, spraying dark clouds with fire extinguishers, and breaking windows during clashes that lasted into the night.

Regional emergency service SEM said 75 people were treated for injuries at Josep Tarradellas Barcelona-El Prat Airport. Spain's airport operator, AENA, said at least 108 flights were canceled.

Police also clashed with angry crowds late Monday night in downtown Barcelona. They used batons, and sounds similar to the firing projectiles were heard.



Protestors make a barricade during clashes with police outside El Prat airport in Barcelona, Spain, Monday, Oct. 14, 2019.

Associated Press

Nine of the 12 Catalan politicians and activists were found guilty of sedition and given prison sentences of nine to 13 years. Four of them were additionally convicted of misuse of public funds.

The other three were fined for disobedience. The court barred all of them from holding public office.

All 12 were acquitted on had become "a shipwreck." the more serious charge of

rebellion, which implied the use of violence, brought by state prosecutors and lawvers for the far-right Spanish party Vox. Vox leader Santaigo Abascal criticized the verdict as too light.

Spain's caretaker prime minister, Pedro Sánchez, said the outcome of the four-month trial proved the 2017 secession attempt Sánchez urged people to

"set aside extremist positions" and "embark on a new phase" for Catalonia. He said he hoped the prison sentences would mark a turning point in the long standoff between national authorities and separatist lawmakers in Barcelona, the Catalonia region's cap-

Tempers flared after the Supreme Court issued its decision in Madrid, with secessionists taking to the streets, halting some trains by placing burning tires and wood on tracks, and blocking roads as well as the airport entrance.

After he was sentenced to 13 years imprisonment, former regional vice president Oriol Junqueras declared that achieving independence for Catalonia was "today closer than ever be-

But the Catalan separatist movement is going through its most difficult period in years. With a general election scheduled for Nov. 10, its most charismatic leaders are behind bars or abroad after fleeing to avoid prosecution.

convicted Catalan leaders - most of whom were kept in custody on grounds of a flight risk for nearly two years before the verdict - have grown into powerful symbols for the separatists.

Carles Puigdemont, who fled to Belgium in October 2017 with several others when they were summoned to appear in court, said the upcoming general election is an opportunity to show "a massive response of rejection" for the court's verdict and the "dignity and firmness" of the Catalan independence movements.

Puigdemont spoke in Brussels hours after a Spanish Supreme Court judge issued an international warrant for his arrest.

Andrew Dowling, an expert on contemporary Spanish politics at Cardiff University in Wales, said the sentences are "going to make a bad situation worse."

"It's going to create a terrible wound in Catalan society until these people are released," he said by telephone.

Catalan identity is a passionate issue in the northeastern region bordering France, but elsewhere it has failed to capture the public imagination and, crucially, lacked international support.

At the center of the prosecutors' case was an Oct. 1, 2017 independence referendum that the Catalan government held even though the country's highest court had prohibited the vote.

The "yes" side won, but because it was an illegal ballot most voters didn't turn out and the vote count was considered of dubious value. The Catalan Parliament, however, unilaterally declared independence three weeks later, triggering Spain's worst political crisis in decades.

The Spanish government stepped in and fired the Catalan regional government, with prosecutors later bringing charges.

Catalonia has authority to run its own prisons, unlike the rest of Spain's regions. That means regional authorities can allow inmates to spend the night in prison Monday-Thursday and have the rest of the time at home. Such a step for those convicted Monday is open to legal challenges, however.

EU moves closer to confirmation of first chief prosecutor



In this photo taken on Friday, Oct. 4, 2019, Laura Codruta Kovesi, Romania's former chief anti-corruption prosecutor who will during an interview with the Associated Press, in Bucharest, Ro-

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Associated Press BRUSSELS (AP) — The European Union's member states have agreed to appoint Romania's Laura Co-

druta Kovesi as the first European chief prosecutor. Kovesi, whose anti-corruption efforts in Romania won her plaudits from the EU but criticism from the Romanian government, will lead the EU Public Prosecutor's Office, scheduled to begin operating in November

So far, 22 of 28 EU countries have joined the office, which will investigate matters like corruption and cross-border tax fraud above 10 million euros (\$ 11 million)

Kovesi is slated to be confirmed by the European Parliament, her appointment's final step

Kovesi, who faced intimidation and pressures in Romania, where her anticorruption office indicted 14 Cabinet member and 53 lawmakers, told The Associated Press last week that "no matter what the pressure, I will do my job."

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Syrian army moves north, raising fears of clash with Turkey

By MEHMET GUZEL **BASSEM MROUE Associated Press**

AKCAKALE, Turkey (AP) — Syrian government troops moved into towns and villages in northern Syria on Monday, setting up a potential clash with Turkish-led forces advancing in the area as long-standing alliances in the region begin to shift or crumble following the pullback of U.S. forces. The Syrian military's deployment near the Turkish border came after Syrian Kurdish forces previously allied with the U.S. said they had reached a deal with President Bashar Assad's government to help them fend off Turkey's invasion, now in its sixth day.

Assad's return to the region his troops abandoned in 2012 at the height of the Syrian civil war is a turning point in Syria's eight-year civil war, giving yet another major boost to his government and its Russian backers and is like to endanger, if not altogether crush, the brief experiment in self-rule set up by Syria's Kurds since the conflict began.

The fast-deteriorating situation was set in motion last week, when U.S. President Donald Trump ordered American troops in northern Syria to step aside, clearing the way for an attack by Turkey, which regards the Kurdish fighters as terrorists. Since 2014, the Kurds have fought alongside the U.S. in defeating the Islamic State in Syria, and Trump's move was decried at home and abroad as a betrayal of an ally.

In the past five days, Turkish troops and their allies have pushed into northern towns and villages, clashing with the Kurdish fighters over a stretch of 200 kilometers (125 miles). The offensive has displaced at least



People ride motorcycles and hold a Syrian flag and a portrait of Syrian President Bashar Assad as they welcome Syrian troops as they enter the village of Ghebesh, west of the town of Tal Tamr, in northern Syria, Monday, Oct 14, 2019.

Associated Press

130,000 people.

Abandoned in the middle of the battlefield, the Kurds turned to Assad and Russia for protection and announced Sunday night that Syrian government troops would be deployed in Kurdish-controlled towns and villages along the border with Turkey to help repel Turkish advances.

Kurdish official Aldar Khalil said in a statement that the aim of the agreement is for Syrian troops to be deployed along the border, except for the area between the towns of Ras al-Ayn and Tal Abyad, where Turkish troops are advancing. He added that the autonomous authority will continue to run daily affairs in northeast Syria.

"There is an understanding between SDF and Damascus — a military agreement only," said Badran Ciya Kurd, a senior Kurdish official, referring to the Kurdish-led Syrian Democratic Forces. He has been in talks the northern province of

with Russians since the start, and he made his comments in an interview with The Associated Press.

Syrian state media broadcast repeated footage of government forces entering northern towns and villages with residents chanting slogans in support of Assad, while others rushed to hug the soldiers. In a northern village, residents welcomed the troops by showering them with rice, an Arab gesture of welcome. In another village, dozens of young men rode motorcycles as some waved posters of Assad.

"We are going back to our normal positions that are at the border," said a Syrian officer, as embattled Kurdish authorities invited the government to retake towns and villages in the

"May God protect the army!" residents responded.

The Syrian troops arrived in

Ragga aboard buses and pickup trucks with mounted machine guns. Troops moved into the towns of Tal Tamr, about 20 kilometers (12 miles) from the Turkish border, Ein Issa and Tabqa, known for its dam on the Euphrates River and a nearby air base of the same name. Syrian fighters backed by Turkey said they began an offensive alongside Turkish troops to capture the Kurdish-held town of Manbij, on the western flank of the Euphrates. Mustafa Sejari, an official with the Turkeybacked fighters, tweeted: "The battle of Manbij has begun."

Turkey's private NTV televispecial forces and commandos began advancing toward Manbij in the afternoon. CNN-Turk also mentioned the attack, reporting that the sound of clashes could be heard.

Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan signaled earlier in the day his military was ready to begin the assault Manbij, with a goal of returning the city to Arab populations that he said were its rightful owners.

The flashpoint area housed U.S. troops who patrolled the region since 2017 to deter a confrontation between Turkey and Kurdish fighters. A U.S. official said troops were still in Manbij, preparing to leave.

Speaking later in Baku, Azerbaijan, Erdogan said Turkey's military offensive into northeast Syria is as "vital" to Turkey as its 1974 military intervention in Cyprus, which split the island. Erdogan also made clear Turkey would not halt its offensive despite the widespread condemnation.

The military action by Ankara sets up a potential clash between Turkey and Syria and raises the specter of a resurgent Islamic State group as the U.S. relinquishes any remaining influence in northern Syria to Assad and his chief backer, Rus-

Turkey warned its NATO allies in Europe and the United States not to stand in its

The European Union unanimously condemned Turkey's military move and asked all 28 of its member states to stop selling arms to Ankara, Spanish Foreign Minister Josep Borrell told the AP.

In Moscow, Kremlin spokesman Dmitry Peskov told reporters that Russian and Turkish officials have resion reported that Turkish mained in close contact. Russia appeared to be working on de-confliction between Turkish and Syrian troops. Erdogan has already said Turkey will not negotiate with the Syrian Kurdish fighters, saying they have links to a long-running Kurdish insurgency within its own borders.



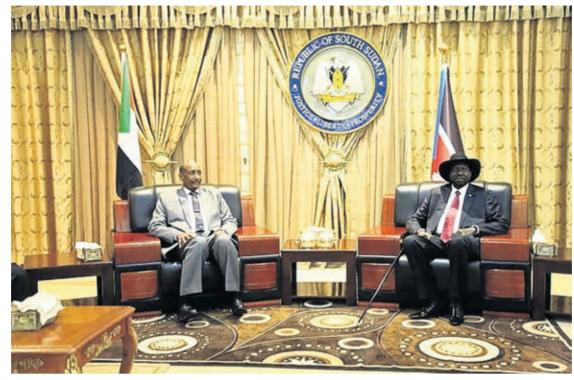
Sudan's government, rebels start peace talks in Juba

CAIRO (AP) — Sudan's new transitional government met with rebel leaders on Monday, kicking off peace talks aimed at ending the country's yearslong civil

The peace initiative was built into a power-sharing deal between Sudan's army and its pro-democmovement. deal was reached after the overthrow of longtime autocrat President Omar al-Bashir in April. The transitional authorities have six months to make peace with the rebels, according to the agreement.

South Sudan's President Salva Kiir is hosting the talks in its capital, Juba, where some rebel groups signed a draft agreement last month that detailed a roadmap for the talks, trust-building measures and an extension of a cease-fire already in place.

South Sudan gained independence from the north in 2011 after decades of civil war. But in the 2000s,



In this photo provided by the official SUNA news agency, Gen. Abdel-Fattah Burhan, left, head of Sudan's sovereign council, meets with South Sudan's President Salva Kiir, in Juba, South Sudan, Monday, Oct. 14, 2019.

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Sudan was most known for al-Bashir's brutal repression of an uprising in the western Darfur region.

Achieving peace is crucial to the transitional government in Sudan. It has counted on ending the wars with rebels in order to revive the country's battered economy through slashing the military spending, which takes up much of the national budget.

Sudanese authorities have introduced good-will signals. They dismissed death sentences against eight rebel leaders and released more than a dozen prisoners of war. They have also

delayed the formation of the parliament and the appointment of provincial governors to allow time for the rebels to come on board

The government delegation, led by Gen. Mohammed Hamadan Dagalo, a member of the Sudan's sovereign council, arrived in Juba late Sunday. Rebel leaders arrived earlier this

Rebel leader Malik Agar of the Sudan Revolutionary Front, an alliance of Darfur rebel groups, told The Associated Press that they would start "the official opening" of the talks Monday in Juba.

Gen. Abdel-Fattah Burhan, head of Sudan's sovereign council, also arrived in Juba to attend the opening session, along with other African leaders including Egypt's Prime Minister Mustafa Madbouly and Ethiopia's Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed, according to the official SUNA news agency.

Russia's Putin visits Saudi Arabia on Mideast trip

By JON GAMBRELL **Associated Press**

DUBAI, United Arab Emirates (AP) — Russian President Vladimir Putin traveled to Saudi Arabia on Monday, meeting with the oil-rich nation's king and crown prince as he seeks to cement Moscow's political and energy ties across the

Putin received all the trappings of a state visit, with a mounted guard escorting his limousine to King Salman's Al-Yamamah palace in Riyadh on his first visit to the kingdom since 2007. In the intervening years, the Arab Spring roiled the wider Mideast as Putin would partner with Iran in backing Syrian President Bashar Assad in that country's still-raging war. Saudi Arabia unsuccessfully backed those trying to oust Assad. But more recently, Russia joined OPEC in lowering their production beginning in 2017, the first such cut for the cartel in a decade. It reduced production by 1.2 That helped boost energy



Russian President Vladimir Putin, center left, and Saudi Arabia's King Salman, right, attend the of-

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million barrels per day, with 800,000 coming from OPEC and 400,000 coming from non-OPEC members, an arrangement now known as OPEC+.

prices. Crude oil sold for over \$100 a barrel in the summer of 2014 before bottoming out below \$30 a barrel in January 2016. On Monday, it traded just under \$60 a barrel.

"The OPEC+ production cuts agreement has been extended thanks to active participation of our countries," Putin said.

Putin listened to a Saudi military band play Rus-

national anthem, then greeted officials and sat with King Salman for a conversation captured by state television. Earlier, a broadly grinning Saudi Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman walked up to greet Putin on his arrival. The crown prince later engaged in a conversation with Russian Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov.

Putin even paused to admire a traditional curved knife, a janbiya, worn by a member of the Saudi honor guard on hand.

In brief remarks, 83-year-old King Salman praised relations between Riyadh and Moscow, especially energy agreements. At a recent OPEC meeting in Abu Dhabi, Saudi Energy Minister Prince Abdulaziz described the arrangement as "'til death do us part."

Prince Abdulaziz briefed both leaders before a signing ceremony at the palace on 20 agreements between the two nations.



Indonesia arrests 22 militants following attack on minister

By NINIEK KARMINI **Associated Press**

JAKARTA, Indonesia (AP) - At least 22 suspected militants plotting bombings and other attacks have been arrested in a counterterrorism crackdown following last week's assault by a knife-wielding militant couple who wounded Indonesia's top security minister, police said Monday.

National police spokesman Dedi Prasetyo told a news conference that the police's elite anti-terror squad, known as Densus 88, seized 10 homemade pipe bombs believed to be intended for suicide attacks, chemicals for use in explosives, airsoft guns, knives, documents on planned attacks, jihadist books, laptops and cellphones in separate raids.

Police were hunting other suspected militants, who mostly are participants in a social media chat group



Indonesian National Police spokesperson Brig.Gen. Dedi Prasetyo, right, and an aide show photos of evidence of confiscated items during raids following a knife attack against Indonesian Coordinating Minister for Politics, Law and Security Wiranto during a press conference in Jakarta, Indonesia, Monday, Oct. 14, 2019.

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and are members of a lo- Jama'ah Anshorut Daulah, cal affiliate of the Islamic State group known as the

or JAD.

"Members of this group are

free to conduct 'amaliah' independently, depending on the ability of those who want to carry out the attacks," Prasetyo said, referring to an Arabic term for violent jihadist action against those perceived as enemies of Islam.

Chief Security Minister Wiranto, a local police chief and a third man were wounded in the broad daylight attack on Thursday by the couple in the western province of Banten. Wiranto, who goes by one name, is recovering in an army hospital in Jakarta and police were interrogating the couple, who were believed to be members of a JAD bloc in Banten.

Wiranto, a 72-year-old former armed forces chief, sustained two stab wounds in the stomach but was in stable condition. The attack came just over a week before the Oct. 20 inauguration of President Joko Widodo for his second fiveyear term.

Japan storm survivors though worst was over, then it flooded

KAORI HITOMI MARI YAMAGUCHI **Associated Press**

KAWAGOE, Japan (AP) —

After the worst of Typhoon Hagibis passed over this town north of Japan's capital, Kazuo Saito made sure his house and went to bed. Saito woke up a few times throughout the night to check, but by the time he woke for good on Sunday morning, the view outside his window was almost unrecognizable.

"There was a huge river flowing in front of me," the 74-year-old said.

The storm, which made landfall in the Tokyo region late Saturday, had dumped record amounts of rain that caused rivers to overflow their banks. It turned many neighborhoods in Kawathere was no water outside goe into water and mud Sumiko, thought evacuatcovered swamps.

Crews were working across the region to dig through mudslides and search riverbanks for those missing in the storm, which killed almost 50 people and left thousands of homes on Japan's main island flooded, damaged or without pow-

er. Some 30,000 people were in evacuation centers.

Saito said he was determined not to evacuate Sunday despite the floodwater because "this is my only home." His wife, ing at that point was too late and more dangerous. "I was terrified and my knees trembled," she said. As they waited, the floodwater gradually subsided, and on Monday they were able to come down from the second floor of their home.



Evacuees from Typhoon Hagibis take shelter at a nearby elementary school gym on Monday, Oct. 14, 2019, in Kawagoe City, Japan.

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Haiti's embattled president faces 5th week of protests

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti (AP)

Haiti's embattled president faced a fifth week of protests on Monday as road blocks went up across the country after opposition leaders said they will not back down on their call for Jovenel Moïse to resign. While Port-au-Prince remained largely quiet, small demonstrations in other cities and towns come a day after tens of thousands of Haitians marched through Haiti's capital in a peaceful protest organized by artists. Business groups, church leaders and human rights organizations also have joined the call for Moïse to step down amid anger over corruption, inflation and scarcity of basic goods including fuel.

Among those who marched was businessman Anthony Bennett, who sought to run for president in 2015 and said the private sector also was suffering.

"I think it's time that everyone understands that things cannot continue like



Protesters climb up on motorcycles and a highway barrier to try to get a look at thousands of demonstrators coming to join the march, in Petion-Ville, Port-au-Prince, Haiti, Sunday, Oct. 13,

Associated Press

this anymore," he told reporters. "Everybody is just hoping to get a visa to run away. ...The Haitian population has had enough.'

Police fired tear gas at a small group of people gathered near a couple of burning tires in downtown He said he won't accept Port-au-Prince,

Patrickson Monteau, who is leading protests in the

including anything except Moïse's

resignation, adding that he was encouraged by Sunday's demonstration, noting it included the bourgeoisie.

"That gave us even more confidence," he "There's a lot of misery in Haiti ... the people are fed up with this situation."

The demonstrations have shuttered businesses, prevented 2 million children from going to school and led to the deaths of some 20 people and roughly 200 injuries.

Former Prime Minister Evans Paul, a Moïse ally, told The Associated Press on Monday that the government expects to meet with civil society leaders and the opposition, which has publicly rejected Moïse's call for unity and dialogue.

"We can put everything on the table," Paul said, adding that that includes the president's mandate. "The country has to keep living. We're clear that the president has lost the public's support."

13 police killed by suspected cartel gunmen in west Mexico

By MARIA VERZA **Associated Press**

MEXICO CITY (AP) — At least 13 police officers were killed and three others wounded Monday in an ambush by gunmen in the Mexican state of Michoacan, a western region where violence attributed to drug cartels has spiked in recent months.

The state police officers had gone to a home in the town of El Aguaje in Aguililla municipality to enforce a judicial order when "several armed civilians fired on them," Michoacan's state security department said in a statement.

"No attack on the police will go unpunished, and this was a cowardly, devious attack because they laid an ambush in this area of the road," Gov. Silvano Aureoles said.

Images published in Mexican media showed vehicles burning in the middle of a highway and messages apparently signed by Jalisco New Genera-



Charred trucks that belong to Michoacan state police stand on the roadside after they were burned during an attack in El Aguaje, Mexico, Monday, Oct. 14, 2019.

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tion, one of Mexico's most powerful and rising cartels at the moment. Aureoles said their authenticity was under investigation.

In the afternoon, an Associated Press journalist saw two gutted patrol cars at

the entrance to El Aguaje surrounded by hundreds of bullet casings. Two police trucks were towed away. The streets were nearly devoid of human activity as people apparently decided to stay indoors after the

violent events.

After the attack, the area in western Mexico's so-called "hot lands" was reinforced by federal and state security forces, who set up checkpoints to find the asMichoacan, an important avocado-growing state, has recently has seen a jump in violence that has brought back memories of the bloodiest days of Mexico's war on drug cartels between 2006 and 2012.

In August, police found 19 bodies in the town of Uruapan, including nine hung from a bridge. Later, an area roughly 45 miles (70 kilometers) north of Aguililla was the scene of fierce clashes between members of Jalisco New Generation and regional self-defense groups.

In 2013, civilian groups faced with what they said was state inaction armed themselves in Michoacan to fight the Knights Templar cartel, one of whose bases was Aguililla. They said they took up arms to defend themselves from kidnappings, extortion and killings by cartels. But some of the self-defense or vigilante groups later became infiltrated by cartels and gangs.



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1st edition of Shoco Artfest 2019: Unique art-honoring event

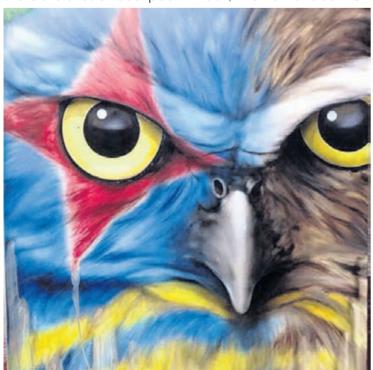


ORANJESTAD — Mark your calendar for the 1st edition of Shoco Artfest that will take place on Saturday October 19th and Sunday October 20th 2019. If you are looking to get a glimpse of Aruba's creative community you don't want to miss out on this unique art-honoring event.

Paul Wong is a local artist and is the organizer of this festival. He is a great admirer of art. The name of the festival is based on his very own painting of an owl "Shoco" with the Aruban flag and therefore he chose the name Shoco Artfest. Wong knows that there are a lot of local peo-

ple that have their artistic way and with this festival he wants to give exposure to new and upcoming local artists. The festival is a mixture of urban, fine and cultural art pieces. Ten different local artists will be displaying their creativity in different types of art. There will be wood and rock sculptures, airbrush and paintbrush art, art on wheels, bikes & trucks, tattoo demonstrations, murals and local art vendors.

The artists taking part of this festival are: Sjoerd Canninga, George Rosel, Evris Fearon, Dario Wilson, Jesus Fontalba, Emil Krosendijk, Nimia Geerman, Juancho Hoek, Merveline Geerman







and Paul Wong.

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The event will take place at Camacuri Motorworld the airport and Oranjestad, from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. on both days. Food and drinks are also available. Entrance is completely free. For more information check out the Facebook page Shoco artfest 2019.

Family honored as Distinguished Visitors

EAGLE BEACH — Recently, Kimberley Richardson of the Aruba Tourism Authority had the great pleasure to honor Aruba's loyal and friendly visitors as Distinguished Visitors of Aruba. The symbolic Distinguished visitor certificate is presented on behalf of the Minister of Tourism, as a token of appreciation to the guests who visit Aruba 10 years and more consecutively.

The honorees were **Elmer** and Kathryn Richardson with their daughter Yvette Ynocencio. This family was accompanied by brothers Alexander and Robert Stevens, all honored as Distinguished Visitors of Aruba. This wonderful aroup of



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people stated that they Ms. Richardson together away-from-home.

love the island very much, with the representatives of the Divi Aruba Phoenix presented the certificates to the honorees, handed over some presents and also thanked them for choosing Aruba as their favorite vacation destination and as their home-







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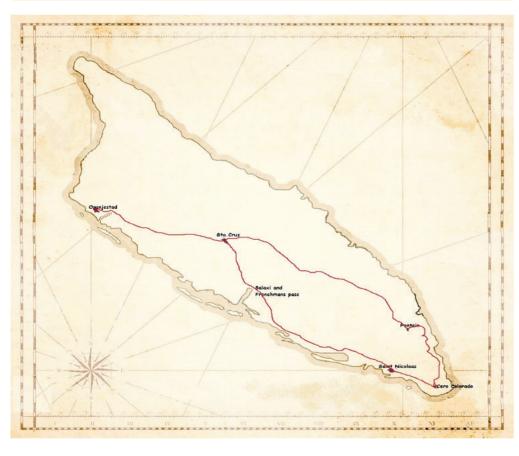
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A scientific journey across the island- Part II

Episode 39

ORANJESTAD — Arriving at Saint Nicolaas, Prof. Martin continues to this town situated on the bay with the same name. This is the port of the phosphate mines of Colorado, consisting only of a few buildings belonging to the mine company. Its harbor has been improved by the management of the mines and connected by a railroad with Cero Colorado. "Incredible all what has been dug up. An enormous mass of phosphate lies piled up, mainly ferriferous and for this reason not yet exported, the government dues for this grade being too high for it to be sold with profit. The chief manager, whom we met here, cordially welcomed us, and in his company we rode to his house at the foot of Colorado, where we spent the night and half of the next morning."

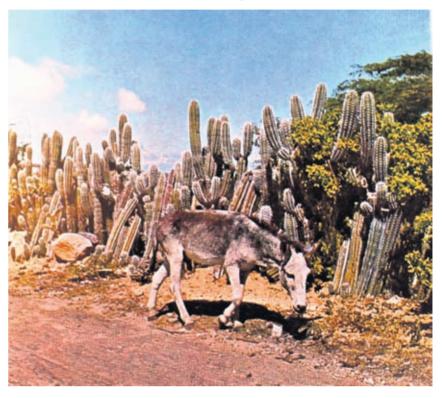


Pic. 1 .Map showing Prof. Martin`s journey

"On the morrow, January 30, I viewed the rich phosphate mines of Cero Colorado. We also visited the east-side of the mountain, where already in the previous century a German mining expert wielded the axe in order to examine the quartz found in the rock here for its gold-content. However rich a harvest suchlike galleries may have yielded afterwards on this island; his toil did not find its reward, so that he had to abandon his ill-starred project. The abandoned mine made by him has now been flooded by seawater and soon the waves will have succeeded in effacing the last traces of human labor by burying the shaft in their laps and putting the stamp of inviolate loneliness so typical of the entire region upon this mine too; for lonely these rocks are".

After a description of the landscape Professor Martin tells about his journey to Fontein.

"We turned off in the direction of Fontein, but because it is impossible to traverse the low limestone plateau stretching jaggedly between Fontein and Colorado, there was no alternative but to take the road along the north coast of the island. Sand, blinding sand, that is the plain between the plateau and the coast, with here and there some shrubs of so-called grapes, a serious obstacle to the progress of our heavily loaded animals. The boys with the pack-donkeys were soon lagging behind, which forced me to load the stones I was collecting on to my own donkey, a procedure attended with many difficulties. At first I was aided by the pistol-holsters of the Spanish



Pic.2. Donkeys where a very important means of transportation.



Pic.3. Sero Colorado the elevation how it looks today

saddle, whose faded stitching bore witness to its having seen better days; but these were soon full, and so I crammed my treasures anyhow into the pockets of my clothes. This greatly troubled my long-ears, as the stones were bumping against his body at every step, so that we were finally obliged to give up our attempt to ride on in advance, and waited for the pack-animals to come up, however much we disliked doing so in the scorching afternoon heat, which was occasionally alleviated when the trade wind wafted some coolness toward us.

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"At half past five we arrived at Fontein, just in time to write up our diaries before going to rest and to bestow the stones safely, as it is better, considering the extremely primitive conditions of life here, to do by daylight than when darkness has set in. At Fontein in particular this proved to be the best thing, for only here did we fully perceive how little prepared we were for anything in the nature of a journey of some days on Aruba. This realization came upon us unawares; neither on Curacao nor during our short stay at Oranjestad had we gained an insight into the true poverty of the island. Thanks to the good care of Evertsz of Colorado, who had given our guide some additional provisions along on his way, we at least had something to eat. One half of a pewter spoon of which the front half, the one normally used to scoop up the food, was lacking, our clasp-knives, a small bowl and an old water-jug, such was our table ware...

This story will continue.

To get to know more about Aruba's stories of origins, about animals and culture, art and desert gardens, visit our native at Etnia Nativa. Our renowned cultural encounter session has been





Pic.4. Fontein. The fresh water fountain now part of Arikok Nagtinal Park



Effective Attention where the patient is Central: Urgent Care Aruba (UCA) brings innovation to the healthcare in Aruba: Now offering the Ultrasound service



ORANJESTAD — Urgent Care Aruba (UCA) proudly announces that after hard work, dedication and investing in the latest top tech equipment they are finally able to offer the community of Aruba a private service of Ultrasound. Currently Ultrasound and other images diagnostics are considered fundamental methods in helping detect and treat patients' severe and chronic diseases.

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SPORTS









A crew member for Kyle Busch (18) bounces a tire as he runs back to the wall during a NASCAR Cup Series auto race at Talladega Superspeedway, Monday, Oct 14, 2019, in Talladega, Ala.

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Blaney beats Newman in photo finish to advance in playoffs

TALLADEGA, Ala. (AP) — Ryan Blaney emerged safely from the wreckage at Talladega Superspeedway that claimed other playoff contenders, winning by a tiny margin that was huge for his championship hopes.

Blaney beat Ryan Newman in a door-to-door race to the finish line to win Monday and advance to the third round of NAS-CAR's playoffs.

Blaney's first win of the season came as he was in danger of getting eliminated from title contention. The playoff field will be trimmed from 12 drivers to eight next weekend at Kansas. Blaney had little margin for error after he had mechanical issues at Dover last weekend and finished 35th.

"Our mindset really was we had to win one of these two races," Blaney said. "We were so far back in points.

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Houston Astros' Carlos Correa hits a walk-off home run against the New York Yankees during the 11th inning in Game 2 of baseball's American League Championship Series Sunday, Oct. 13, 2019, in Houston.



Men, women to compete against each other in golf in Europe

LONDON (AP) — Men and women will compete against each other next year in Sweden in a new European Tour and Ladies European Tour event hosted by Henrik Stenson and Annika Sorenstam.

The two tours announced the Scandinavian Mixed on Monday, minus details on how the course at Bro Hof Slott Golf Club in Stockholm will be set up or how the 78 men and 78 women will be paired during the 72-hole event

They will compete for one trophy, a prize of 1.5 million euros and world ranking points for both tours, along with Race to Dubai points in Europe and Order of Merit points for the LET.

The Scandinavian Mixed will be held June 11-14, one week before the U.S. Open in New York.

It will be the second time Europe has staged an event in which men and women compete for the same trophy.

The Jordan Mixed Open in April featured players from Europe's 50-and-older Staysure Tour, the developmental Challenge Tour and the Ladies European Tour. Daan Huizing of the Netherlands, who plays on the Challenge Tour, won by two shots over Meghan MacLaren of the LET.

The Challenge Tour also had an event in Northern Ireland in which men and women competed for separate trophies on the same course. Europe has been particularly aggressive in putting men and women in the same tournament in various capacities. The ISPS Handa Vic Open in Australia earlier this year had separate men's and women's competition on the same golf course.

Women were invited to play in the European Tour's Golfsixes event. Also, the European Tour and LET staged events in Morocco on the same golf resort but at different courses.

Stenson plans to compete in the event. Sorenstam, who played a PGA Tour event at Colonial in 2003, retired from competition in 2008. She plans to compete in the Wednesday pro-am.

"The European Tour has been leading the way in terms of innovative formats, and I believe this is certainly one that can be part of the way golf is played in the future," Stenson said.

Sorenstam said bringing men and women together in the same event "is exciting for fans in Sweden and for the global game as we continue to showcase golf is a game for everyone."

Sun Yang gets Nov. 15 date for doping hearing in open court

(AP) — China's star swimmer Sun Yang will have his court hearing on Nov. 15 in The court says "it is intenda rare open trial to answer ed to live stream all or parts allegations he violated an- of the hearing on the CAS ti-doping rules.

The Court of Arbitration for Sport says the World Anti-Doping Agency's appeal will be heard at a luxury hotel in Montreux, Switzerland.

All sides agreed to a request by Sun's lawyers to hear the

Switzerland case in public — the first time CAS has opened its doors in 20 years.

website.

The case could see Sun banned from the Tokyo Olympics. It involves a disputed attempt by sample collectors to take blood and urine from the threetime Olympic champion in Beijing last year.



Simone Biles of the United States shows her five gold medals she won at the Gymnastics World Championships in Stuttgart, Germany, Sunday, Oct. 13, 2019.

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After record world medal haul, Biles a face of 2020 Olympics

By JAMES ELLINGWORTH **AP Sports Writer**

STUTTGART, Germany (AP) Next stop Tokyo for Simone Biles.

With Usain Bolt and Michael Phelps both retired since the last Olympics in Rio de Janeiro, the U.S. gymnast will be the face of the games for much of the

In gymnastics, no one else comes close. Biles won five of the six gold medals at last week's world championships and broke the alltime record of 25 medals by any gymnast, male or female.

"She's just above anything else that we have seen in the sport," five-time Olympic gold medalist Nadia Comaneci said of Biles on Sunday, praising "the domination that she has toward all the other gymnasts that competed here."

Biles has not just got the talent. She's got the character of an Olympic star.

There's the laser-like focus on training, the same easyern era — a savvy socialmedia style.

International Olympic president Committee Thomas Bach said Sunday that Biles' star status would

make gymnastics a mustsee event at the Tokyo Olympics.

"You can have legends confirming their status as we have just seen with Simone Biles, this amazing performance there on the beam, but you also have new stars," he said. "Gymnastics has all the ingredients to be top another time, I must say. A top Olympic event in Tokyo."

Despite its dispute with Biles over the scoring for her new double-double beam dismount — its grade was lessened in part so as not to encourage less-skilled gymnasts to attempt the risky move — the International Gymnastics Federation knows Biles is crucial to the sport.

Labeling her "wonder woman" and "a hero," FIG president Morinari Watanabe is keen for Biles not to retire after the Tokyo Olympics. "I hope she will continue after 2020, because she is an excellent athlete," he said Sunday.

going humor which en- Biles is certainly the only deared the world to Bolt, athlete who could pull off and — crucially in the mod- her look in training at the U.S. nationals in August. She caused a stir with a leotard bearing her surname and a goat's head picked out in sequins, a nod to "Greatest Of All Time."

Few disagree, but Biles hasn't yet won everyone

"There's no need to turn her into some unbeatable queen. If I was 15 years younger, I'd definitely take the fight to the American," the Russian gymnast Svetlana Khorkina said in comments on the Russian Olympic Committee website Thursday.

Khorkina won 20 world championship medals between 1994 and 2001 and held the women's record until Biles overtook her Tuesday.

One record is likely to remain out of Biles' reach, however. Soviet gymnast Larisa Latynina won a record 15 Olympic medals between 1956 and 1964. Biles won five Olympic medals in Rio de Janeiro, and could add six more next year in Tokyo, but appears highly unlikely to stick around until the 2024 Olympics. However, there's another record to aim for. Matching her world championship performance from last week would make Biles the first female gymnast to win five gold medals at a single Olympics, and the first female athlete to do so in any sport since East German swimmer Kristin Otto in 1988.



Correa HR in 11th as Astros top Yankees 3-2; ALCS tied at 1

HOUSTON (AP) — In a battle of the bullpens, Carlos Correa felt the greatest relief. Injured down the stretch and slumping this month, Correa hit a leadoff home run in the 11th inning that lifted the Houston Astros over the New York Yankees 3-2 Sunday night, tying the AL Championship Series at one game apiece.

Correa, who earlier lined an RBI double and made a sensational play at shortstop, connected for an opposite-field shot to right off J.A. Happ.

"Not playing a couple of weeks before the playoffs and then not producing for or my team offensively, obviously it's tough, getting hurt and everything," the All-Star said. "But it's all worth it for moments like this, moments like this where you give your team a chance to win every day, it's worth it, man."

Hours earlier, Correa was confident this would be the day he turned things around. About time, too, after starting out 3 for 22 in the postseason after returning from back problems.

"I've got my swing back," he said then. "I'm going to hit a homer tonight.'

And with a swing that kept Houston from falling into an 0-2 hole, he did just that.

"Going into that last inning I thought: 'I got this. I feel like I got this," Correa said. "And I had the right approach against him. I've been successful against him going the other way. And that's what I try to do, I saw a good pitch down the middle and I drove the other way."

Correa watched the ball sail, tossed his bat, put his hand to one ear to soak in the roars of the crowd and then held up one finger as he rounded the bases. As he approached home plate, he tossed his helmet as if shooting a basketball at the crowd of teammates waiting for him.

"As soon as I hit it I knew it was going to go over the fence," he said. "The adrenaline started pumping like crazy. I don't even know what I did. I've got to go watch the video. But I know



Houston Astros' Carlos Correa hits a walk-off home run against the New York Yankees during the 11th inning in Game 2 of baseball's American League Championship Series Sunday, Oct. 13, 2019, in Houston.

I was so hyped."

Correa's big night gave him 27 RBIs in the postseason to pass Lance Berkman for the most in franchise history. And it was a familiar scene — in Game 2 of the 2017 ALCS against the Yankees, Correa hit a walk-off double in the ninth.

"You look at his RBI totals in the postseason, you look at his walk-offs, you look at the big moments, he's a pretty special man," manager AJ Hinch said.

Game 3 is Tuesday afternoon at Yankee Stadium. Gerrit Cole, who is 18-0 in his last 24 starts and led the the game," Correa said. for the Astros against Luis Severino.

"The game of baseball, it's a beautiful game," Correa said.

The Yankees tied a League Championship Series record by using nine pitchers. The eight relievers had

permitted only one run and two hits with 11 strikeouts in 7 2/3 innings before Correa homered, ending a game that took 4 hours, 49 minutes and finished just before midnight.

Houston's five relievers combined for 4 1/3 innings of one-hit shutout ball after taking over for Justin Verlander. Going into this bestof-seven series, the Yankees were considered the better team in the bullpen the Astros amply held their own in this one.

"Our bullpen was nasty, gave us a chance to win

majors in strikeouts, starts Gary Sánchez struck out looking to end the Yankees 11th with runners on first and second. The pitch appeared outside — it came right after he swung and missed with two strikes, but was ruled a foul ball.

> New York lost for the first time this postseason after

four wins.

"It was a struggle tonight," Yankees manager Aaron Boone said. "They're tough to score runs off, especially on a night when Verlander is out there."

Aaron Judge put the Yankees on top 2-1 with a tworun shot off Verlander in the fourth. It was his first homer this postseason and the eighth in his playoff career. George Springer tied it in the fifth with his franchiserecord 12th career postseason home run. The 2017 World Series MVP homered on the first pitch after reliever Adam Ottavino entered. outs in the regular season. the two best ballclubs in the game," Judge said. "I wish we could have come away with two here, but now time to regroup and get ready for Tuesday."

Along with his bat, Correa made the key play in the field to keep it tied at 2 in the sixth. With runners at first and second, and on the move on a full-count pitch with two outs, Brett Gardner hit a hard grounder that bounced off second baseman José Altuve for a single.

The ball bounded away and Correa quickly retrieved it and threw a strike to catcher Robinson Chirinos, who tagged out the sliding DJ LeMahieu.

Verlander pumped his fist and screamed "let's go!" as he came off the field and Correa shook his finger with a look that said: "not on my watch."

Cameras then panned to Verlander's supermodel wife, Kate Upton, who jumped and cheered from a luxury suite.

"I just tried creeping over and as soon as the ball hit him, I scooped it and he sent him, so I had to gun him down," Correa said.

Correa ended an 0-for-14 slump with an RBI double in the second off James Paxton, who lasted just 2 1/3 in-

Hours later, Correa ended it with his drive off Happ. Correa is 6 for 12 with two homers against the lefty.

"It's been a tough road this year but I'm finally here and I was able to contribute tonight," he said.

TRAINER'S ROOM

Yankees: Slugger Giancarlo Stanton missed the game with a strained right quad. He homered in the opener. "So hoping that it's something that with today and the off day, that he would be back in play for Game 3," Boone said.

UP NEXT

Cole was 2-0 with a 0.57 ERA and 25 strikeouts across 15 2/3 innings against the Rays in the ALDS. The 29-year-old led the AL with a careerbest 2.50 ERA and was first in the majors with 326 strike-"Just back and forth — This will be the eighth postseason start for Severino, who did not factor in the decision in New York's Game 3 win over Minnesota. Severino, who made just three regular-season starts because of a late injury, allowed four hits in four innings against the Twins.



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Isles rally past Blues in OT; Bruins' Pastrnak scores 4

By The Associated Press UNIONDALE, N.Y. (AP)

Devon Toews scored at 1:13 of overtime to complete a stunning lategame comeback by the New York Islanders as they downed the St. Louis Blues 3-2 on Monday.

The Blues seemed to have the game well in hand in the closing minutes before Brock Nelson put the home team on the board with his third goal of the season at 14:29 of the third. Mathew Barzel then tied the game at 19:33 off a scramble in front with Islanders netminder Thomas Greiss pulled for an extra attacker.

That set the stage for Toews' goal. Barzel and Nelson had the assists. That sent what had been a mostly silent crowd at Nassau Coliseum into a frenzy as the defending champion Blues skated off toward their locker room. Griess made 21 saves for the win.

Goals from Brayden Schenn



New York Islanders' Ryan Pulock (6) defends St. Louis Blues' Sammy Blais (9) during the first period of an NHL hockey game, Monday, Oct. 14, 2019, in Uniondale, N.Y.

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had given the Blues at 2-0 lead.

BRUINS 4, DUCKS 2

BOSTON (AP) — David Pastrnak scored a career-high four goals for his fifth career hat trick, leading Boston over Anaheim.

Jaroslav Halak stopped 30 shots and Brad Marchand added two assists for the Bruins, the Stanley Cup run-

and Vladimir Tarasenko ner-up off to a 5-1 start.

Rickard Rakell and Adam Henrique scored for the Ducks, and John Gibson made 19 saves. Anaheim has lost two of three after winning its first three games this season.

Pastrnak completed his hat trick with an unassisted goal off a faceoff. He stole the puck from defenseman Josh Mason and slipped a

wrist shot between John Jesper Bratt and Will Butch-Gibson's pads 2:20 into the er scored for the Devils, third period to make it 3-1, prompting fans to throw hats on the ice.

The 23-year-old forward scored 2:14 later off a nice feed from Marchand, who sent a pass from the left circle to Pastrnak. He was at the edge of the far post, where he redirected the puck into the net.

PANTHERS 6, DEVILS 4

NEWARK, N.J. (AP) — Mackenzie Weegar scored the tying goal and set up Noel Acciari for the go-ahead tally and Florida rallied from a three-goal deficit to beat winless New Jersey.

deau and Evgenii Dandonov also had goals as 1-3-0 record. the Panthers snapped a three-game losing streak. Sergei Bobrovsky stopped 17 shots as he improved his career mark against the Devils to 17-5-1.

Pavel Zacha, Taylor Hall,

who fell to 0-4-2. Cory Schneider made 28 saves.

It is the Devils' worst start to a season since beginning 2013-14 with seven straight losses (0-4-3)

WILD 2, SENATORS 0

OTTAWA, Ontario (AP) — Alex Stalock stopped all 26 shots he faced and Minnesota picked up its first win of the season.

Victor Rask and Zach Parise scored third-period goals for the Wild (1-4-0).

Stalock, in his first start of the season, earned his sixth career shutout.

Craig Anderson stopped 33 Brett Connolly scored shots for the Senators (1-4twice, Jonathan Huber- 0), who wrapped up a fourgame homestand with a

> After two scoreless periods, the Wild opened the scoring midway through the third. Rask had a great takeaway on Jean-Gabriel Pageau and then beat Anderson short-side.



Steelers' Conner scores 2 TDs, Hodges wins first start

By The Associated Press CARSON, Calif. (AP)

James Conner scored two touchdowns, Devin Bush recovered a pair of turnovers and Devlin Hodges won his first NFL start as the Steelers held off the Chargers.

Conner had his first game with both a rushing and receiving touchdown and accounted for 119 scrimmage yards (41 rushing, 78 receiving).

Hodges, who was elevated into the starting spot after Mason Rudolph suffered a concussion last week against Baltimore, didn't look fazed. He completed 15 of 20 for 132 yards and benefited from a running game that helped control the clock. Benny Snell led the way with 75 yards on 17 carries for the Steelers (2-4). Bush forced turnovers on the Chargers second and third drives. The rookie linebacker scored his first NFL touchdown when he scooped up a backward pass from Philip Rivers that Melvin Gordon was unable to handle and went 9 yards to give the Steelers a 7-0 lead.

Bush got his second turnover four plays later when he intercepted a Rivers' pass that was deflected by defensive end Tyson Alualu at the line of scrimmage. That would lead to Conner's first TD.

The Chargers (2-4) trailed 24-0 after three quarters but rallied to get within seven on a Chase McLaughlin field goal and two TD passes from Rivers to Hunter Henry.

SEAHAWKS 32, BROWNS 28

CLEVELAND (AP) — Chris Carson scored on a 1-yard touchdown run with 3:30 left, Russell Wilson threw two TD passes and ran for one and Seattle rallied past mistake-prone Cleveland, improving to 3-0 on the road for the first time in 39 years.

The Seahawks (5-1) gave up touchdowns on Cleveland's first three possessions before storming back.

Wilson connected with Jaron Brown for two scores, and Seattle's cool quarterback scampered 16 yards for a TD. The Seahawks last won their first three road games in 1980, when they went 4-12.

The Browns (2-4) were hurt by their own miscues. They couldn't overcome four turnovers, a blocked punt or quarterback Baker Mayfield's hip injury and fell to 0-3 at FirstEnergy Stadium. Mayfield threw three interceptions, raising his NFLleading total to 11. Trying to bring the Browns back late, Mayfield, who went to the locker room in the third quarter to be evaluated, was picked off by Seattle's K.J. Wright with 2:41 remaining.

SAINTS 13, JAGUARS 6

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (AP) — Teddy Bridgewater found Jared Cook for a 4-yard touchdown early in the fourth quarter, and New Orleans held on to beat Jacksonville and improve to 4-0 without injured starter Drew Brees.

Coming off a 300-yard, four-touchdown performance against Tampa Bay, Bridgewater was less effective against the Jaguars (2-4). But he did enough for New Orleans' defense.

Gardner Minshew was sacked twice, hurried often and threw his first interception as a starter. The rookie sensation completed 14 of 29 passes for 163 yards and was held without a touchdown for the first time this season.

Bridgewater was 24 of 36 passing for 240 yards for the Saints (5-1).

Michael Thomas had eight receptions for 89 yards, and Alvin Kamara finished with 31 yards rushing while playing through an ankle injury.

49ERS 20, RAMS 7

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Jimmy Garoppolo passed for 243 yards and ran for a touchdown, and San Francisco remained unbeaten with a dominant defensive performance against struggling Los Angeles.

George Kittle had eight catches for 103 yards for the Niners (5-0), who held Los Angeles' once-unstoppable offense to 157 yards in coach Kyle Shanahan's first victory over Rams coach Sean McVay



Pittsburgh Steelers running back James Conner, left, gets by Los Angeles Chargers outside line-backer Jatavis Brown as he runs for a touchdown during the first half of an NFL football game, Sunday, Oct. 13, 2019, in Carson, Calif.

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in a game in which both of these NFC West rivals were playing their starters.

These longtime coaching colleagues' teams are going in opposite directions after this one-sided showdown at the Coliseum. San Francisco used its possession offense and a sturdy defense to stay alongside New England as the NFL's only unbeaten teams, while the Rams (3-3) are on their first three-game losing streak of McVay's 2½-year tenure.

Tevin Coleman rushed for an early touchdown for San Francisco, while Garoppolo was mostly effective despite two turnovers. The Niners didn't score a touchdown in the final 27 minutes, but they're off to their fourth 5-0 start in franchise history, and their first since 1990.

TEXANS 31, CHIEFS 24

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Deshaun Watson threw for 280 yards and a touchdown while running for two more, outdueling Chiefs counterpart Patrick Mahomes in a matchup of former first-round picks and leading the Houston Texans to a 31-24 victory over Kansas City on Sunday.

Carlos Hyde added 116 yards rushing and a touch-down against the team that traded him to Houston

(4-2) before the start of the season. DeAndre Hopkins hauled in nine passes for 55 yards.

None was bigger than his last, when the Texans star made a sliding grab on fourth-and-3 from the Kansas City 27 with just under 2 minutes to go. That allowed Houston to run out the clock and deal the Chiefs (4-2) their second consecutive loss — both at Arrowhead Stadium.

Mahomes, who was selected two spots ahead of Watson in the 2017 draft, finished with 273 yards passing and three touchdowns, though he also threw his first interception of the season. Star wide receiver Tyreek Hill returned to action for the first time since Week 1, when he broke his collarbone, to catch five passes for 80 yards and two of the Chiefs' scores.

JETS 24, COWBOYS 22

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP) — Sam Darnold gave the Jets' struggling offense a huge boost by throwing two touchdown passes in his return from mononucleosis, and New York held on to beat Dallas for its first win of the season.

The Jets led 21-9 in the fourth quarter, but Dak Prescott and the topranked Cowboys offense stormed back — and had

a chance to tie in the closing moments.

Prescott ran for a 4-yard touchdown with 43 seconds left, making it a two-point game. Going for the tie, Prescott dropped back and was quickly met by a blitzing Jamal Adams and his pass on the conversion try fell short of Jason Witten in the end zone.

The Cowboys (3-3) tried an onside kick, but Demaryius Thomas recovered for the Jets (1-4), who won for the first time under coach Adam Gase. It was the third straight loss for Dallas. Darnold, who missed three games while recovering from mononucleosis, finished 23 of 32 for 338 yards — including a 92-yard touchdown toss to Robby Anderson and a 5-yarder to Ryan Griffin.

VIKINGS 38, EAGLES 20

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Kirk Cousins threw to Stefon Diggs for three of his four touchdowns, racking up a season-high 333 passing yards as Minnesota ravaged Philadelphia's secondary.

Diggs scored on plays in the first half that covered 51 and 62 yards, becoming the first player since Randy Moss in 2000 to post two touchdown receptions of 50-plus yards in one game for the Vikings (4-2).





Roger Federer of Switzerland waves to spectators as he leaves the court after he lost to Alexander Zverev of Germany in their men's singles quarterfinals match at the Shanghai Masters tennis tournament at Qizhong Forest Sports City Tennis Center in Shanghai, China, Friday, Oct. 11, 2019.

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Roger Federer says he plans to play at 2020 Tokyo Olympics

TOKYO (AP) — Roger Federer says he plans to play at the 2020 Tokyo Olym-

The Swiss great, a four-time Olympian, says "at the end of the day my heart decided I would love to play at the Olympic Games again."

Federer made the announcement in Tokyo during at an exhibition event for his Japanese uniform

Federer will turn 39 shortly after the Olympic tournament. He had previously planned his schedule up to Wimbledon, which ends two weeks before the Tokvo Games. He will need a wild-card exemption because he has not played Davis Cup games to be eligible. Federer won doubles gold for Switzerland with Stan Wawrinka at the 2008 Beijing Olympics and silver in singles at the 2012 London Games at Wimbledon. He missed the 2016 Rio de Janeiro Olympics with an

Cycling great Eddy Merckx hospitalized after bike crash

BRUSSELS (AP) — A Belgian ever. He won five Tour de newspaper reported Monday that cycling great Eddy Merckx sustained head injuries in a crash while bike riding with friends.

The Het Nieuwsblad newspaper said the 74-year-old hospital in Dendermonde. many as the greatest cyclist day classic races.

France titles and a record 34 stages. The 2019 Tour de France began in Brussels in July and feted Merckx to mark the 50th anniversary of his first Tour victory. Known as "The Cannibal" Merckx crashed Sunday for his appetite for winning, and was admitted to a Merckx also won five Giro d'Italia titles, one Spanish Merckx is regarded by Vuelta and a string of one-





A crew member for Kyle Busch (18) bounces a tire as he runs back to the wall during a NASCAR Cup Series auto race at Talladega Superspeedway, Monday, Oct 14, 2019, in Talladega, Ala. **Associated Press**

on the field. Then Newman

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I know Talladega's a wild card. There was a lot of wrecks today and a lot of guys got tore up. But we didn't really get any stage points and we were already pretty far behind the eight-ball.

"We knew we had to probably win one of these two weeks. It's just a huge relief." Blaney joins Kyle Larson in the round of eight, with six spots still available.

After the win, he spotted a young fan in the crowd wearing his shirt and handed the boy the checkered

The race began Sunday but was postponed by rain after the first stage. The delay gave Blaney time to recover from a Sunday spin as he tried to enter pit road, and ended with Ford and Team Penske as winners. Ford had won seven consecutive Talladega races until Chevrolet snapped that streak in April.

"An amazing effort the last two days, to be honest with you," Blaney said. "From spinning out early yesterday, missing some big ones today, weave our way through ... It just means a ton. I've been coming here ever since I was really young. I love coming here. Love it even more now."

Blaney was the leader on a restart with two laps remaining and had a huge push from fellow Ford driver Aric Almirola to gain space

came charging along on the outside line with help from Denny Hamlin and he easily zipped past Blaney. But the Ford train remained committed and Blaney got another push from Almirola to pull alongside Newman. The two raced doorto-door to the finish line, with Blaney winning by a nose. The 0.0070-second margin of victory was the sixth-closest in the history of Talladega, which celebrated its 50th anniversary all weekend. The win capped a remarkable weekend for the Penske organization, which on Saturday claimed the IMSA overall sports car championship with Dane Cameron and Juan Pablo Montoya, and then in Aus-

Fabian Coulthard. It was Ford's sixth straight Talladega playoff victory and Team Penske's seventh win in the last seven Cup races at the Alabama superspeedway.

tralia won the Bathurst 1000

with Scott McLaughlin and

The race had critical playoff implications as many of the title contenders struggled, and Hendrick Motorsports' entire lineup is at risk of elimination next weekend. Alex Bowman, Chase Elliott and William Byron are all below the cutline, as is Kansas native Clint Bowyer, who could be eliminated at his home track.

Newman, who was followed by Hamlin in a Toyota, said he knew Blaney was ahead of him at the line. "I think I could have gone down and taken his air and he probably would have gone to the outside of me," Newman said. "That would have spun me as I tried to block me. You could replay it 30 days from now and come up with 27 different answers.

It was a 1-2 sweep for Ford on a weekend in which manufacturer alliances were heavily scrutinized. Although all the manufacturers met with their teams to discuss strategy and sticking together for the sake of a brand victory, a meeting Sunday between the Chevrolet group angered fans who argued the alliances were a form of race manipulation.

Although the manufacturers have been doing this for at least five years in a Toyota-led effort, Chevrolet did not get on board until April after Toyota had worked with Chevy drivers from Hendrick Motorsports to go 1-2-3 in the Daytona 500. Chevrolet then won at Talladega and again at Daytona in July, the two tracks where the brand alliances work.

The highest-finishing Chevrolet on Monday at Talladega was Austin Dillon in sixth. Almirola finished fourth in a Ford, followed by Michael McDowell, Dillon, Corey La-Joie, Elliot, Ricky Stenhouse Jr. and Ty Dillon.



Celtics, Zion remain sizzling to start preseason

By TIM REYNOLDS **AP Basketball Writer**

Preseason numbers often mean almost nothing. Rotations are unusual, starters rarely play much, and few if any teams are putting a premium on winning games.

As such, it's tough to glean much from exhibition stats. But what the Boston Celtics and New Orleans rookie Zion Williamson — the No. 1 pick in this year's draft - have been doing so far in the preseason certainly stands out.

The Celtics are 3-0 after beating Cleveland on Sunday — and have put together a huge run in all three of those games. The latest was a 50-17 spurt against the Cavaliers, a game that was close for most of the first quarter before Boston built what eventually became a 54-point lead

Boston's other big runs of note in this preseason were a 41-17 stretch last Sunday against Charlotte, and opening the game with a 29-4 burst at Orlando on Friday. On top of the 50-17 run against the Cavs, they added a 26-8 run in the fourth quarter as well

No matter who the Celtics have on the court, defense has been the constant. Boston is holding opponents to 36.5% shooting through the first three exhibitions, 25.7% from 3-point range.

"That's a tied-together group on that end of the court," Celtics coach Brad Stevens said.

And while 7-foot-6 center Tacko Fall has quickly become a fan favorite in Boston — yes, Stevens is aware of the chants where fans are clamoring for him to play more — the numbers are worth noting as well.

"Everyone is flying under the radar," Stevens said Sunday. "Except Tacko."

When it comes to New Orleans, Williamson isn't flying under anything.

Flying over things is more

The Pelicans are 4-0 in the preseason after winning in San Antonio on Sunday, with Williamson finishing with 22 points and 10 rebounds. He's shot 29 for 36 from the floor in his last three games, and is averaging 23.3 points and 6.5 rebounds on 71% shooting — all in about 27 minutes per game.

CELTICS 118, CAVALIERS 72 Max Strus scored 14 points and Boston finished with six players in double figures.

Kemba Walker returned from a one-game absence with knee soreness and scored 12 points in 15 ½ minutes, going 3 for 3 from 3-point range. The Celtics held the Cavaliers to 33% shooting, 18% on 3-point tries, and forced 29 turnovers.

Sindarius Thornwell scored 12 for Cleveland, which played without Kevin Love (rest) and Tristan Thompson (right groin soreness). Cavs starters Collin Sexton, Matthew Dellavedova and Cedi Osman combined to shoot 3 for 24 and score eight points in 67 minutes.

PELICANS 123, SPURS 114

Williamson's 22 points led seven New Orleans players in double figures on the way to beating San Antonio.

Jrue Holiday scored 16 for the Pelicans, who overcame a 17-point deficit.

Bryn Forbes scored 18 and DeMar DeRozan added 16 for the Spurs, who held out LaMarcus Aldridge and Rudy Gay. The Pelicans gave J.J. Redick the day off for rest.

CLIPPERS 118, MELBOURNE **UNITED 100**

Kawhi Leonard and Rodney McGruder sat out for the Los Angeles Clippers, who got 22 points from Montrezl Harrell and 16 points from Lou Williams.

The Clippers trailed by as many as 11 in the early going and were down to the Australian club 51-47 at the half, then won the third quarter 43-20 — shooting 16 for 20 in the period — to take control.

Melo Trimble led Melbourne United with 22 points.

BUCKS 115, WIZARDS 108

Khris Middleton had 22 points and nine rebounds while Sterling Brown and Ersan Ilyasova scored 18 points apiece for Milwau-

Reigning league MVP Giannis Antetokounmpo (illness) did not play for the Bucks (4-0).

Bradley Beal led Washington (2-2) with 20 points, Thomas Bryant scored 17 and Rui Hachimura, the No. 9 overall pick in June's draft, added 10 points, 12 rebounds and three steals.

BULLS 105, RAPTORS 91

Zach LaVine hit four 3-pointers and finished with 26 points and Lauri Mark-



New Orleans Pelicans' Zion Williamson (1) dunks as he is defended by San Antonio Spurs' Chimezie Metu (7) and DeMarre Carroll during the first half of an NBA preseason basketball game, Sunday, Oct. 13, 2019, in San Antonio.

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kanen had 15 points and 13 rebounds for Chicago.

Coby White, drafted No. 7 overall in this summer's draft, added 18 points for the Bulls (1-3).

OG Anunoby led Toronto (1-2) with 15 points. Pascal Siakam, Serge Ibaka, Marc Gasol, Fred VanVleet (all rest) and Kyle Lowry (thumb) did not play for the Raptors.

76ERS 126, MAGIC 94

Joel Embiid had 15 points and nine rebounds and Tobias Harris scored 14 points for Philadelphia.

Josh Richardson, acquired as part of the trade that sent Jimmy Butler to Miami in July, had 13 points, five assists and five steals for the

76ers (3-0). Free-agent acquisition Al Horford added 11 points and rookie Matisse Thybulle scored 10. Markelle Fultz, Mo Bamba and Al-Farouq Amina had 12 points apiece for Orlando (3-2)

TIMBERWOLVES 131, MAC-CABI HAIFA 101

Treveon Graham had 12 points while Jarrett Culver and Shabazz Napier scored 11 apiece for Minnesota.

Karl-Anthony Towns and Andrew Wiggins added nine points each in 11 and 12 minutes, respectively, for the Timberwolves (1-2).

James Young, a first-round pick by the Boston Celtics in 2014, led Maccabi Haifa with 20 points.

Wiesberger wins Italian Open, tops Race to Dubai rankings

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Wiesberger carded a bogey-free 6-under 65 at Olie effort on No. 18.

stroke victory over Matthew of the season after Den- excited what's ahead of us the Rolex Series. **ROME (AP)** — Bernd Wies- Fitzpatrick after beginning mark in May and the Scot- in the last few events." berger moved atop the the day three strokes be- tish Open — which is also in Wiesberger has 4,198 points

on Sunday for his second to get into a playoff but missed both an eagle putt on the 17th hole that lipped around the cup and a bird-

giata Golf Club for a one- It was Wiesberger's third win

The 34-year-old Austrian also finished in a tie for second in the Irish Open.

"I've played really well in Fitzpatrick (2,865). the right events," said Wiesberger, who finished 16 under overall. "Just really

the Rolex Series — in July. in the Race to Dubai, for Wiesberger, who missed ahead of Jon Ram (3,898), British Open champion Shane Lowry (3,535) and

> He joins Rahm, Alex Noren, Justin Rose and Danny Wil-

It was the seventh career win on the European Tour the last seven months of last year with a wrist injury. "I've been really good putting myself in positions and staying there," Wiesberger said after earning a winlett as multiple winners in ner's check of \$1.1 million. □



Apple has a lot to lose if it crosses China's party bosses

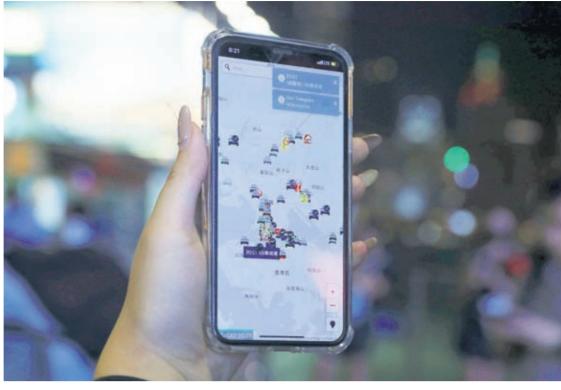
HONG KONG (AP) — Under pressure from China, Apple has removed a smartphone app that enabled Hong Kong protesters to track police. It has cut off access in mainland China to a news app that extensively covered the anti-government demonstrations. And it has made it harder to find an emoji representing the Taiwanese national flag.

The tech company's latest acts of capitulation to China's ruling Communist Party have alienated some Hong Kong consumers and angered democracy activists around the world. But the truth is, few U.S. companies have as much of their business tethered to China as Apple.

"That's the price you pay if you want to be in the market," said Matt Schrader, a China analyst for the Alliance for Securing Democracy at the German Marshall Fund. "You have to abide by demands to censor information: anything that paints the party or its history, or its top leaders, in an unflattering light, or disagrees with their preferred portrayal of China as a country."

Apple relies on Chinese factories to assemble iPhones, which generate most of the company's profits. Apple has also cultivated a loyal following in the country. China has emerged as the company's third-largest market behind the U.S. and Europe, accounting for 20% of its sales during its past fiscal year.

President Donald Trump's trade war with China has already complicated things for Apple, raising fears that Beijing will impose measures to hurt Apple



A person's phone shows HKmap.live apps as they join others at a rally to mark Taiwan's National Day, in the Tsim Sha Tsui district in Hong Kong, Thursday, Oct. 10, 2019.

Associated Press

in retaliation for U.S. tariffs on Chinese products and sanctions against Huawei, the Chinese telecommunications equipment giant. Apple CEO Tim Cook has spent much of the past year walking a thin line, trying to prod a truce between the U.S. and China while also trying to protect his company's interests.

His efforts so far have largely paid off, helping to shield the iPhone from being hit by tariffs in either the U.S. or China. But that could change in mid-December, when the Trump administration has promised to expand import duties on more consumer electron-

With the specter of those tariffs, Apple has even more of an incentive to placate China's government and avoid provoking Beijing.

In a worst-case scenario, analysts have estimated retaliatory action from China could cut Apple's profit 10% to 20%. That would translate into a loss of \$6 billion to \$12 billion in a single year, based on Apple's profits last year.

Apple defended its decision Thursday to pull the police-tracking HKmap.live from its online app store. For some people in Hong Kong, the app was a handy tool that helped steer them away from possible baton charges, volleys of tear gas and police ID checks.

But the company said the app "has been used to target and ambush police" and "threaten public safety."

"Criminals have used it to victimize residents in areas where they know there is no law enforcement," Apple said. "This app violates our guidelines and local laws."

Thursday's move followed

pressure from various channels, including the Communist Party newspaper People's Daily, which asked: "Is Apple guiding Hong Kong thugs?"

Hong Kong's crisis has put pressure on those doing business with China to take sides. The protests were triggered by a now-abandoned government plan to allow criminal suspects to be extradited for trial in Communist Party-controlled courts in mainland China. It has escalated into a broader battle over Beijing's efforts to curb the Western-style civil liberties and autonomy promised to the former British colony when it returned to China in 1997.

Beijing's criticism of Apple followed government attacks last weekend on the NBA over a tweet by the general manager of the Houston Rockets in support of the protesters. China's state TV canceled broadcasts of NBA games.

One of the police-tracking app's users, Hong Kong office worker Acko Wong, 26, scoffed at the suggestion that the app helped give free rein to criminals.

"How do you ambush a group of police with equipment and gear like helmets and shields?" he asked.

Sharing the skepticism were U.S. politicians like Sen. Josh Hawley, a Missouri Republican who tweeted criticism of the company Thursday: "Who is really running Apple? Tim Cook or Beijing?" Apple didn't reply to emailed requests to explain other recent measures criticized as caving in to China. The company cut off mainland access to the news website Quartz, which has covered the Hong Kong protests. CEO Zach Seward denounced "this kind of government censorship of the internet." The news app was still available in Hong Kong.

Apple also recently removed an emoji representing the Taiwanese flag — which China doesn't recognize — from the virtual keyboard of its smartphone operating system in Hong Kong and Macau. The emoji could still be found if users searched for it.

The latest moves are on top of Beijing's previous demands that Apple remove virtual private network apps from its online store in China. China has sought to tighten control over VPNs, which create encrypted links between computers and can be used to see blocked websites that the government has deemed subversive.

Despite defections, Facebook officially launches Libra

book officially moved forward with its plans Monday to create a new digital currency called Libra, despite several high-profile defections from the project and intense criticism from U.S. regulators and politicians. The Libra Association, the

nonprofit that will gov- tercard and PayPal. **NEW YORK (AP)** — Face- ern the currency, officially Most of the remaining signed on 21 charter members on Monday at the inaugural organization's meeting in Geneva. Originally the Libra Association had 27 potential members, but several companies dropped out in recent days, including Visa, Mas-

members of the Libra Association consist of venture capital firms, who often have an eye on emerging technologies and align with Facebook's interests, as well as nonprofits. But some larger companies who are now members of the association include Uber, Lyft, when it unveiled plans to Spotify and European tele- create a separate, private communications company Vodafone. The association said in a statement that an unnamed additional 180 entities have expressed interest and have met the initial requirements to join.

Facebook has faced criticism since the summer currency system to allow users to make cross-border payments more easily. Politicians have said they believe Facebook's struggles with protecting users' privacy would spill over into Libra, despite it being a separate organization.



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Stocks stall in midday trading as caution lingers over trade

By DAMIAN J. TROISE **Associated Press**

NEW YORK (AP) — Stocks stalled in midday trading on Wall Street Monday as investors remain cautious about the prospects of a full trade agreement between the U.S. and China. Technology and health care stocks were posting some solid gains even as the energy sector fell be-

The market started shifting sideways after falling in the early going. The muted trading follows a rally Friday that pushed the market to a weekly gain after three straight weeks of losses.

cause of a decline in the

price of crude oil.

Washington and Beijing agreed to a truce following talks last week. The U.S. held off on tariffs set to kick in this

week and China agreed to buy more farm goods. But the U.S. has yet to cancel plans for more tariffs in December and the nations still have several complicated issues to negotiate.

Bond markets and the U.S. government were closed for the Columbus Day holiday

KEEPING SCORE: The S&P 500 index was unchanged as of 11:50 a.m. Eastern time. The Dow Jones Industrial Average rose 22 points, or 0.1%, to 26,839. The Nasdag rose 0.1%. Small-company stocks did worse than the rest of the market. The Russell 2000 index lost 0.3%.

OVERSEAS: European markets fell. The European Union faces a potential trade war with the U.S. as the Trump administration



In this Oct. 7, 2019, file photo specialists Mario Picone, left, and Anthony Rinaldi work on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange.

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readies trade sanctions on up to \$7.5 billion worth of goods. The tariffs are set to go into effect Friday and stem from a dispute over

subsidies to the airplane maker Airbus.

TRADE UNCERTAINTY: Investors applauded the progress made by the U.S. and China last week, but uncertainty remains over whether they can ink a broader deal. The U.S. agreed to suspend a planned hike in tariffs on \$250 billion of Chinese goods that had been set to kick in Tuesday. Beijing, meanwhile, agreed to buy \$40 billion to \$50 billion in U.S. farm products.

The truce was a result of the 13th round of negotiations between the nations since the trade war began well over a year ago. The key sticking points of intellectual property and trade secrets still hang over the

The overall picture hasn't changed for companies, which are still holding off on forecasts and investments because of the uncertain trade situation.

China's auto sales sink 6.3% in September

By JOE MCDONALD

BEIJING (AP) — China's auto sales sank 6.3% in September from a year earlier and purchases of electric cars tumbled 34.2% at a time when the industry is spending heavily to meet government sales quo-Monday.

The global industry's biggest market is on track to contract for second year, dragged down by weak consumer demand in the face of a tariff war with

economic growth.

Sales of sedans, SUVs and minivans in the global industry's biggest market fell to 1.9 million, according to the China Association of Automobile Manufacturers, an industry group. Total tas for the technology, an sales, including trucks and Brands are spending heavindustry group reported buses, retreated 5.2% to 2.3 ily to meet government million.

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The industry has been re-ers.

Washington and cooling porting negative growth every month since June 2018.

> Sales of electric cars fell to 80,000 units, hurt by a decline in government subsidies that helped to make China the biggest market for electrics.

> sales quotas. Beijing is shiftto earn credits for selling electrics without subsidies. That raises the cost to buy-



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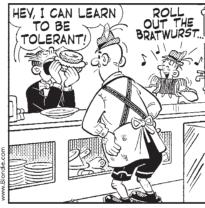
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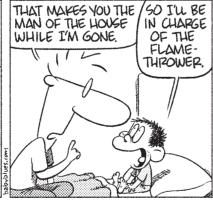


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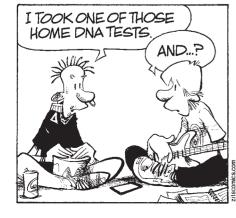
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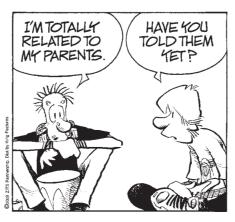




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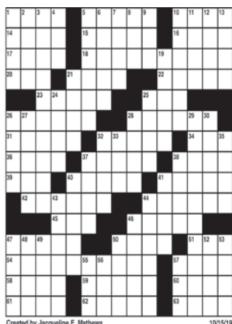
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Dog lost since 2007 found over 1K miles away in Pittsburgh

Associated Press

PITTSBURGH (AP) — A toy fox terrier that disappeared from its family's south Florida home in 2007 was found this week over a thousand miles away in Pittsburgh and reunited with its owner on Friday.

The 14-year-old named Dutchess was found hungry, shivering and in serious need of a nail trim under a shed on Monday, according to Humane Animal Res-

The property owner took dog to a Humane

Animal Rescue location, where staffers were able to locate a microchip and trace the dog back to its owners in Boca Raton, Flor-

The dog's owner, Katheryn Strang, drove all the way to Pittsburgh for an emotional reunion with Dutchess.

Boca Raton, Florida, is about 1,130 miles (18184.74 kilometers) from Pittsburgh. Strang said she couldn't believe it when she got the call that her dog had been found after all these years.

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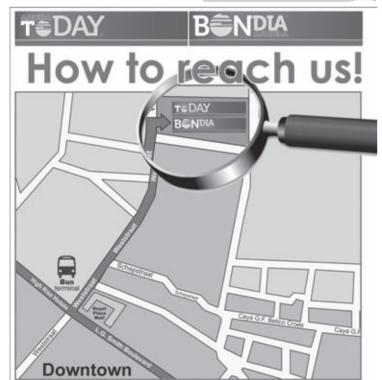
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Has tech made it safer to move nukes? Depends whom you ask

By SCOTT SONNER Associated Press

RENO, Nev. (AP) — A fight is raging in courts and Congress over where radioactive materials should be stored and how to safely get the dangerous remnants of decades of bombmaking and power generation to a permanent resting place.

Nationwide, spent fuel rods lie in temporary cooling ponds at commercial nuclear power reactors without a permanent storage destination. Plutonium also awaits processing for nuclear weapons of war.

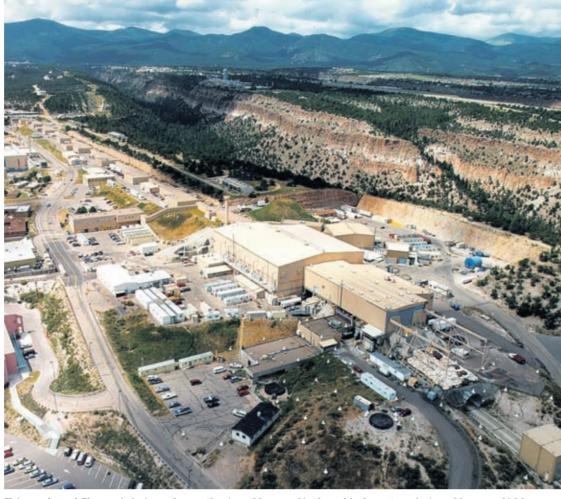
As federal officials insist they can move tons of lethal material without disaster, critics ask how much risk is acceptable and how far technology has come to safely ship nuclear waste.

"The question is: 'Are the regulations for safety and security adequate?'" said Edwin Lyman, head of the nuclear safety project at the Union of Concerned Scientists. "My judgment is no. They are antiquated. They need at least a fresh look."

Watchdogs like Lyman want the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, which regulates the commercial nuclear industry, to require transport containers to be tested to the point nuclear waste would be released — in a fire, catastrophic railroad or truck crash, plunge into water or by tampering, sabotage or terrorism.

"What isn't clear is: 'What are the conditions under which the package would fail?" said Lyman, who has studied hazardous shipments for 25 years.

Energy Department officials and others say technological advances over 25 years have produced more robust transport can-



This undated file aerial view shows the Los Alamos National Laboratory in Los Alamos, N.M.

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isters, new communication systems to track shipments and their armed escorts in real time, and better computer models to examine accident scenarios.

The biggest change is better technology to analyze accident risks, department researchers say. Officials previously were forced to assume transportation containers, called casks, would break and release dangerous waste because they had no proof otherwise. Using 3D computer models for the first time in 2014, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission determined no radioactive material would be released if a fuel tanker crashed with a truck hauling spent nuclear fuel.

Upgrades in containers and communication between armed escorts and command posts alleviated many past concerns about the security and safety of shipments, said Frank Rusco, U.S. Government Accountability Office environment and natural resources chief

The GAO, an independent, nonpartisan arm of Congress that examines how taxpayer money is spent, "has no concerns that casks and rail cars can be built to an acceptably high safety standard," Rusco said. "Getting societal acceptance of train loads of that stuff going from all these places is a bigger challenge."

The Energy Department acknowledges the public has concerns regardless of the safety measures.

The agency tracks shipments round the clock with GPS and real-time apps like those used to find cell-phones. Trucks haul specialized trailers, and federal agents receive thousands of hours of training.

"The whole radioactive waste idea is somewhat of a mystery to the normal person," said Mark Senderling, deputy assistant secretary for waste and materials management. "When

it's coming to their community, they don't understand ... the rigorous requirements the casks are under."

Senderling and other government officials point to decades without a serious accident.

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission said more than 1,300 shipments of spent fuel from reactors have been completed safely over 35 years.

"Four were involved in accidents, but none resulted in a release of radioactive material or a fatality due to radiation exposure," it said in 2014.

But watchdogs like Lyman say the government relies on computer simulations or scaled-down tests instead of putting the actual truck or rail containers through the rigors of a drop, fire or immersion in water to see if they can withstand crashes, sabotage or acts of terrorism.

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission, which sets testing standards and certifies containers, said the computer or scale-model tests provide "reasonable assurance of adequate protection of public health and safety." It says science shows scale-model testing can be relied on to make regulations.

"There are a lot of unanswered questions about what happens," Lyman said. "A real test of an explosive on a real cask containing real spent fuel is a dangerous test. It's one that hasn't been done."

Despite vows the shipments are safe, the Energy Department recently announced it will review all radioactive waste packaging and shipping after a Tennessee contractor revealed it may have mislabeled low-level nuclear waste — including such things as contaminated equipment and workers' clothing — that was sent to Nevada over six years.

Deputy Energy Secretary Dan Brouillette wrote in a July memo that he and Secretary Rick Perry were increasingly concerned about safe and secure packaging, the shipping of waste "and the impact that this matter could have on the safety of our workers, the public and the environment."

The memo came during fights in court over a secret federal shipment of weapons-grade plutonium from South Carolina to Nevada last year and in Congress over renewed Trump administration efforts to build a dump for the nation's most dangerous radioactive waste 90 miles (145 kilometers) from Las Vegas.

With the GAO estimating that there's enough high-level nuclear waste awaiting disposal in the U.S. to fill a football field 65 feet (20 meters) deep, Perry pressed Congress to jump-start the Yucca Mountain project.

"We have to find a solution," Perry said earlier this year, holding a map of states storing spent nuclear fuel. "Thirty-nine states as repositories is not an appropriate solution."

Rep. Dina Titus, D-Nev., who helped defeat the GOP-led effort to fund Yucca Mountain last May, called it "the latest attempt to force nuclear waste down Nevada's throats."





For Huda Kattan, beauty has become a billion-dollar business

By MALAK HARB **Associated Press**

DUBAI, United Arab Emirates (AP) — From a humble start of leaving the world of finance to write a beauty blog, Huda Kattan now has become one of the most recognizable names in makeup around the world. The 36-year-old Iraqi-American now runs her eponymous empire Huda Beauty, a makeup line valued at \$1.2 billion that has fast become a favorite among A-list celebrities and artists around the world.

Her personality has been key in connecting to the public via social media, a major driver for her makeup known for its vibrant color and contouring popular among Arab women. She's part of a growing vanguard of lines built around personalities, an expanding business model as more-established brands face slower sales.

"I do think the idea of makeup as a form of selfexpression will just grow even more," Kattan told The Associated Press in Dubai. "I don't think it's going to be about beautifying anymore."

Kattan reaches customers through a YouTube channel where she uploads all her makeup tutorials. Her brand's Instagram account boasts more than 39 million followers, along with her seven million followers on



Huda Kattan poses at the Huda Boss Facebook Watch screening celebration in Dubai, United Arab Emirates, Wednesday, Oct. 9, 2019.

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Facebook. Her beauty line has found success globally, and especially across the Mideast and Persian Gulf, where Huda's business model has been particularly successful.

So-called "beauty influencers" are seeing strong growth in the United Arab Emirates, a federation of seven sheikhdoms home to Dubai. They also play an important role in showcasing beauty and personal care products in Saudi Arabia, which has the highest number of active users in the region on social media platforms.

According to Euromonitor includes Bahrain, Kuwait,

International, big brands in the UAE such as Mac, Bobbi Brown and Estee Lauder "saw slight declines in their value shares in 2018, due to the stronger competition from smaller brands" like Huda Beauty, singer Rihanna's brand Fenty Beauty and Charlotte Tilbury.

As makeup sales slow in Europe and the U.S., they continue to grow in the Mideast. From 2018 to 2023, Euromonitor predicts a 7.2% growth in the color cosmetics industry across the Mideast, with a 2.9% growth across the Gulf Cooperation Council, which Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates. This year alone, the color cosmetics market is valued at \$2.3 billion in the Mideast, growing to \$3.1 billion by 2023, according to Euromonitor.

Kattan said her business remained strong because of her focus on the Mideast. Unlike in many Western countries where more natural makeup looks are in vogue, women across Arab Gulf countries often lean toward bright, eyecatching makeup trends and accessories that offset the utilitarianism of black veils and abayas. That

complements the bold colors of Kattan's lines.

"I feel like it's very normal in a cosmetic business to go after the No. 1 beauty business or the industry, which is the U.S.," she said. "Of course. I do want to go for the U.S., but I still feel like there's so much to do in this part of the world."

That focus has served her well so far. With a net worth of more than \$600 million, Kattan was named one of the "10 most powerful influencers in the world of beauty" in 2017 by Forbes magazine and was named by Time as one of the 25 most influential people on the internet.

Kattan's makeup line includes lipsticks, eyeshadow palettes, foundation and highlighters among other products. She now is expanding her empire with a newly launched perfume line headed by her business partner and sister, Mona. Huda Kattan has also started a reality web show on Facebook's Watch service. "I think there's a buzz of the beauty brands that have boomed and created billion-dollar brands like Huda Beauty, Kylie, so many other brands. But in reality it's becoming super competitive and sales are dropping for almost every beauty brand out there," said Mona Kattan while sitting beside Huda at their office in Dubai.

Still working '9 to 5,' Dolly Parton marks 50 years at Opry

By KRISTIN M. HALL NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) —

Country superstar Dolly Parton is still working "9 to 5," and doing what she loves as she celebrated her 50th anniversary as a Grand Ole Opry member.

The 73-year-old actress, singer and songwriter, who she was just a teenager, played the longstanding radio show Saturday night in Nashville, Tennessee, in front of sold-out crowds. Hank Williams Jr., Lady Antebellum and Toby Keith performed in her honor as well and her shows capped off a week of Dolly-themed

performances and events at the Opry.

She joked to reporters before her performance that when the Opry approached her about the anniversary, she told them, "I don't want people to think I'm 50 years old."

The anniversary reminded first played the Opry when her of the first time she got to perform at the Opry

> "Well a lot of people think this is my 50th year the Grand Ole Opry," Parton said. "It's actually been 60 because first time I got to sing on the Opry I was 13 years old. And actually Johnny Cash introduced me, I believe. And Jimmy



In this Saturday, Oct. 12, 2019, photo Dolly Parton performs at her 50th Opry Member Anniversary at the Grand Ole Opry in Nashville, Tenn.

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C. Newman had given me his spot."

Parton said she was grateful to still be chasing her dreams and said she's got more film, TV and music projects on the way. The Opry performances will be aired on an NBC special on Nov. 26 and Netflix will air an anthology series based on her songs in 2019.

"I'm just very honored that I'm still around, not only to just get to accept this, that I can actually perform and get out there and still doing what I love to do," Parton said. "And maybe I'll be around another 50 years, who knows. If I'm lucky."





This Sept. 25, 2019 photo shows Kevin Smith, left, and Jason Mewes posing during an interview in Los Angeles to promote the film "Jay and Silent Bob Reboot."

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Kevin Smith crafts his 'real big cinematic gravestone'

By RYAN PEARSON **Associated Press**

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Twenty-five years after "Clerks," Kevin Smith says he's crafted his "real big cinematic gravestone."

The 49-year-old writer-director-actor said a major heart attack in February 2018 prompted him to rewrite his script for "Jay and Silent Bob Reboot" to make a more personal statement about fatherhood and aging — and leaving a lega-

"Like this is my headstone, where it's like 'Here lies Kevin Smith. And this is what he was like.' The movie encapsulates everything that I tried to do in movies over like 25 years and stuff and talks about my life, my podcasting. It's a nice representation of who I am," Smith said in an interview. Calling on friends and calling in favors, he reconnected with actors from his past, including "Chasing Amy" and "Dogma" star Ben Affleck. Some flew to the New Orleans set for just two hours of work in the cameo-packed final act.

"And you don't really get away with that many times in life — pretty self-indulgent. But since I survived the heart attack, I figured people would be like, let him go. He almost died. He's a little happy with life right now," Smith said.

The resulting movie, in theaters this week, is a sometimes silly but heartfelt examination of nostalgia and growing up. Co-starring longtime friend Jason Mewes (the Jay in the titular duo), it's packed with meta references to other films and to what Smith calls his own "myopic career."

The New Jersey native has been podcasting for 12 years. He's written comic books and he's toured with performances that mix jokes and his unique brand of verbose opinion and hyper-self-aware, hyperdetailed storytelling. acknowledges he was a more driven filmmaker and perhaps sharper writer at the start of his career, when he made "Clerks" in 1994 and "Mallrats" the next year.

Famously made on a shoestring \$27,000 budget, "Clerks" debuted to acclaim in 1994 at the Sundance Film Festival. It's a profane, grungy, blackand-white slice-of-life film centered on a New Jersey convenience store that served as a showcase for Smith's brand of eloquently ribald dialogue. Smith, a Hollywood outsider who played stoner Silent Bob in the film, moved quickly to build his own Gen X slacker franchise of sorts.

"Sometimes I got to face Kevin Smith from the past - who was much more creative and prolific or all the good things. He was the new guy and stuff. I don't mind that. I love Kevin Smith from the past. ... That's the guy that started the journey. I continue it," Smith said. "So far, it feels like I'm honoring the journey that I started."

The heart attack seems to have re-focused Smith on filmmaking. He tells a story of lying on the operating table and feeling utterly at peace with the prospect of death — until he realized that the last movie he made was "Yoga Hosers," a poorly-received 2016 fantasy thriller. He couldn't go out on that.

He also knew he had to improve his health. Following his 20-year-old daughter Harley Quinn Smith's advice, he went vegan and lost more than 50 pounds. "Heart attack - second biggest thing that happened to me after 'Clerks,' I would imagine. Like my whole life, I've been talking about 'Clerks,' for the last 25 years. Like, 'I made a movie and it really worked out!' And then suddenly the heart attack gave me something new to talk about, where I'm like — 'I had a heart attack and it really worked out!' So, I don't know if I get another one of those. But so far, so good," Smith said.

Queen Latifah to receive Harvard black culture award



In this Monday, Aug. 26, 2019, file photo, Queen Latifah arrives at the MTV Video Music Awards at the Prudential Center in Newark, N.J.

Associated Press

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. (AP) - Music artist and actress Queen Latifah is among the honorees being recognized by Harvard University this year for their contributions to black history and culture.

Queen Latifah and six other recipients on Oct. 22, according to the Cambridge, Massachusetts, school's **Hutchins Center for African** and African American Research.

Other honorees include poet and educator Eliza-

beth Alexander, Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution Lonnie Bunch III, poet Rita Dove, co-founder of Black Entertainment Television Sheila Johnson, art-Harvard is set to award the ist Kerry James Marshall W.E.B. Du Bois Medal to and Robert Smith, founder, chairman and chief executive of Vista Equity Partners. The award is named after Du Bois, a scholar, writer, editor, and civil rights pioneer who became the first black student to earn a doctorate from Harvard in



Robert Forster, Oscar nominee for 'Jackie Brown,' dies at 78

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Robert Forster, the handsome and omnipresent character actor who got a career resurgence and Oscar nomination for playing bail bondsman Max Cherry in "Jackie Brown," died Friday. He was 78.

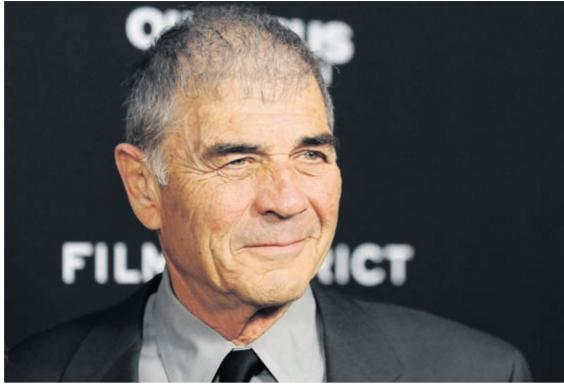
Publicist Kathie Berlin said Forster died of brain cancer following a brief illness. He was at home in Los Angeles, surrounded by family, including his four children and partner Denise Gray-

Condolences poured in Friday night on social media. Bryan Cranston called Forster a "lovely man and a consummate actor" in a tweet. The two met on the 1980 film "Alligator" and then worked together again on the television show "Breaking Bad" and its spinoff film, "El Camino," which launched Friday on

"I never forgot how kind and generous he was to a young kid just starting out in Hollywood," Cranston

His "Jackie Brown" co-star Samuel L. Jackson tweeted that Forster was "truly a class act/Actor!!"

A native of Rochester, New York, Forster quite literally stumbled into acting when in college, intending to be a lawyer, he followed a fellow female student he



In this Monday, March 18, 2013 file photo, Robert Forster arrives at the LA premiere of "Olympus Has Fallen" at the ArcLight Theatre in Los Angeles.

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was trying to talk to into an auditorium where "Bye Bye Birdie" auditions were being held. He would be cast in that show, that fellow student would become his wife with whom he had three daughters, and it would start him on a new trajectory as an actor.

A fortuitous role in the 1965 Broadway production "Mrs. Dally Has a Lover" put him on the radar of Darryl Zanuck, who signed him to a studio contract. He would soon make his film debut in the 1967 John Huston film

"Reflections in a Golden many out of necessity. Eye," which starred Marlon Brando and Elizabeth Tay-

Forster would go on to star in Haskell Wexler's documentary-style Chicago classic "Medium Cool" and the detective television series "Banvon." It was an early high point that he would later say was the beginning of a "27-year slump."

He worked consistently throughout the 1970s and 1980s in mostly forgettable B-movies — ultimately appearing in over 100 films,

"I had four kids, I took any job I could get," he said in an interview with the Chicago Tribune last year. "Every time it reached a lower level I thought I could tolerate, it dropped some more, and then some more. Near the end, I had no agent, no manager, no lawyer, no nothing. I was taking whatever fell through the cracks."

It was Quentin Tarantino's 1997 film "Jackie Brown" that put him back on the map. Tarantino created the role of Max Cherry with Forster in mind — the actor had unsuccessfully auditioned for a part in "Reservoir Dogs," but the director promised not to forget him. In an interview with Fandor last year, Forster recalled that when presented with the script for "Jackie Brown," he told Tarantino, "I'm sure they're not going to let you hire me."

Tarantino replied: "I hire anybody I want."

"And that's when I realized I was going to get another shot at a career," Forster said. "He gave me a career back and the last 14 years have been fabulous."

The performance opposite Pam Grier became one of the more heartwarming Hollywood comeback stories, earning him his first and only Academy Award nomination. He ultimately lost the golden statuette to Robin Williams, who won that year for "Good Will Hunting."

After "Jackie Brown," he worked consistently and at a decidedly higher level than during the "slump," appearing in films like David Lynch's "Mulholland Drive," "Me, Myself and Irene," "The Descendants," "Olympus Has Fallen," and "What They Had," and in television shows like "Breaking Bad" and the "Twin Peaks" reviv-

Scorsese says he's open-minded about Netflix film revolution

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LONDON (AP) — Martin Scorsese said Sunday he's keeping an open mind about the cinema "revolution" sparked by the rise of video streaming services, as his Netflix-backed mafia epic "The Irishman" closed the London Film Festival.

The director said the rise of streaming platforms was "an even bigger revolution to Netflix after other stuthan sound brought to cinema" because it "opens up the original conception of what a film is" and how it should be seen.

Scorsese told reporters he thought it was still important that movies be experienced communally.

"Homes are becoming the-

atres too but it's a major change and I think one has to keep an open mind," he

"The Irishman" — about the reflections of a former Jimmy Hoffa associate and hitman — is due to have a theatrical run from Nov. 1 before its Nov. 27 release on Netflix.

Scorsese took the project dios turned it down, partly due to its length and the expensive de-aging digital effects used to make stars Robert De Niro, Al Pacino and Joe Pesci appear decades younger.

Scorsese said the CGI effects, which have come in for some criticism, were



Actor Al Pacino, from right, director Martin Scorsese and actor Robert De Niro pose for photographers at the photocall of the film 'The Irishman' as part of the London Film Festival, in central London, Sunday, Oct. 13, 2019.

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simply "an evolution of "You accept certain norms makeup." in make-up — you know

he's not that old, she's not that young," he said. "You accept the illusion."

The 209-minute film is Sunday's closing night gala for the 12-day London festival. On Saturday the festival awarded its best film prize to Colombian director Alejandro Landes' child soldier thriller "Monos."

The first feature prize went to French director Mati Diop's Senegal-set drama "Atlantics," and the documentary award was won by Rubika Shah for "White Riot," the story of the 1970s British movement Rock Against Racism.

"Fault Line" by Iran's Soheil Amirsharifi won the short film trophy.



Montana: See the vanishing glaciers and carry bear spray

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GLACIER NATIONAL PARK,
Montana (AP) — I had a lot
of expectations heading
to Montana last summer. I
expected to check off my
bucket-list dream of driving
Glacier National Park's Going-to-the-Sun Road. I expected to be ready should
I meet any bears because
I'd brought "bear bells" to
repel them. And I was sure
I'd love the local meat pies

Wrong on all counts. The Going-to-the-Sun Road is fully open as of early July but when my husband and I arrived in early September of 2017, much of it was closed due to fires. In addition, the rangers told me my bear bells were more likely to attract curious bears than repel them.

called "pasties."

And, sorry, Montanans: I tried one pasty in a cafe and another in a bakery, but for my palate, there's a reason the word pasty is pronounced so that it rhymes with nasty. The good news: All the other meals my husband and I had were terrific, from a park restaurant to Southern food in Whitefish.

I also found a hidden gem of a museum about Chinese immigrants in Butte, along with a freaky poison lake.

The saddest surprise of all? Glacier Park's glaciers are melting so fast, the National Park Service predicts they'll be gone in 12 years.

GLACIER NATIONAL PARK
Driving the Going-to-the-



This Sept. 4, 2019 photo shows a view from the Going-to-the-Sun Road in Glacier National Park in Montana showing a lake ringed by mountains and tall trees.

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Sun Road was a trip I'd dreamed of for years. Unfortunately my 2017 trip coincided with fires that have become an annual latesummer plague here. Most of the road was closed.

But a wall of mountains kept the eastern part of the park smoke-free, so we headed there. Highlights included the Hidden Lake Trail, where you make your way along a winding path through a vast alpine meadow toward a backdrop of craggy mountains. The hikers appear so small in the open field beneath the looming mountains that it brings to mind one

of those Japanese paintings with tiny human figures dwarfed by nature's grandiosity.

That night, we had an elegant supper at Many Glacier Hotel — including scrumptious bison chili and a huckleberry-flavored cocktail — before watching the sun set behind black mountain peaks ringing the lake on the hotel's doorstep. The next morning, we rose early for an 11mile (18-kilometer) roundtrip trek to Grinnell Glacier. You can cut a few miles off the Grinnell Glacier hike by taking a boat to a trailhead, but we opted to do the whole thing by foot. We set out at dawn, wearing jackets for the chilly morning but shorts to keep our legs cool as the day heated up. The elevation here is 6,500 feet (1,980 meters), including 1,600 feet (490 meters) gained along the trail, but we'd gotten accustomed to the altitude and felt fine.

BEARS AND THE GLACIER

The most unsettling thing about the hike was the sign at the start of the trail: "You are entering grizzly country ... There is no guarantee of your safety." That's why I'd brought bear bells. Too bad the ranger told me

not to use them. Instead, she recommended bear spray, which we bought. Her other tip: Sing, clap and make noise. Bears usually keep away if they hear you. To my husband's dismay, I never shut up the entire trail. I sang Broadway tunes and "American Pie," recited Winston Churchill's "Never surrender!" speech and belted out this "Sound of Music" riff: "The hills are alive with the sound of bear songs."

In the end, we didn't see any bears. But we did see mountain goats grazing above us, moose wading in a turquoise lake below, and at the trail's turnaround point, the thing we'd come for: Grinnell Glacier, complete with floating icebergs. A sobering placard says that the ice sheets are a fraction of what they were 100 years ago and that they are expected to disappear by 2030.

BUTTE

Butte was a mining boomtown in the late 19th and early 20th century. Many of its attractions today speak to that era, like the 34-room Copper King mansion, built in the 1880s by William A. Clark, one of the richest men of his time. Today the mansion is a B&B with guided tours.

Butte's Mai Wah Museum tells the story of its Chinese community, 2,000 strong at its height. It's housed in buildings that were part of Butte's Chinatown, with artifacts from the original Mai Wah noodle parlor, cheongsam-style dresses from a family exhibit and a 1901 directory that listed 35 businesses, from laundries to tailors to drugstores.

And don't miss the Berkeley Pit. This toxic lake, a mile long by a half-mile wide, was once an open copper mine

Today it's filled with water saturated with heavy metals and chemicals. For \$2, you can access a viewing platform to see the pool with its odd blue-green hue and hear the sirens going off to keep birds from landing. The woman in the gift shop who sells tickets jauntily announces to all comers: "There's only one rule: No swimming!"



This Sept. 5, 2019 photo shows Grinnell Glacier at the turnaround point of an 11-mile round-trip hike in Glacier National Park in Montana.

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This Sept. 4, 2019 image shows hikers on the Hidden Lake trail in Glacier National Park in Montana.

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